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5 policemen martyred, 6 wounded in an insider attack in Kandahar

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At least five policemen were martyred and six others sustained injuries in an insider attack in southern Kandahar province of Afghanistan.

The incident took place late on Wednesday evening in Abdul Rauf area of Zherai district, a local security official said.

The official further added that two policemen opened fire on their comrades while they were having dinner in a security check post.

The official further added that the two policemen were apparently affiliated with the Taliban militants.

Kandahar is among the relatively volatile provinces in southern Afghanistan where anti-government armed militants are actively operating in its various districts and often carry out insurgency activities.

The Taliban militants group has claimed responsibility behind the incident which comes amid rampant insurgency led by the group across the country.

This comes as at least ten policemen were martyred in a similar attack in southern Uruzgan province of Afghanistan late last month.

The incident in Chinartu district late in the month of January followed a week after another policeman opened fire on his comrades, leaving nine policemen martyred.