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## 6 Afghan army soldiers martyred in the past 24 hours: MoD

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At least 6 soldiers of the Afghan National Army (ANA) forces were martyred in fight against terrorism in the past 24 hours, the Ministry of Defense (MoD) said.

According to an operational update by the Ministry of Defense (MoD), the soldiers were martyred while conducting counter-terrorism operations against the internal and external terrorists.

"The Afghan National Army (ANA) forces are prepared for all kinds of devotion and with all force to maintain security and comfort for the people of Afghanistan," a statement by MoD said, adding that 6 Afghan soldiers were martyred during counter-terrorism operations against the internal and foreign terrorists.

There has been a sharp rise in the casualties of the Afghan national security forces since they took full control of the security responsibilities from the coalition forces at the start of last year.

The operational update by MoD further added that 71 militants were killed and 39 others were wounded during the same operations.

MoD said the operations were backed by the Afghan Air Force and units of the Afghan artillery.

According to MoD, the operations were conducted in Kandahar, Helmand, Uruzgan, Kunar, Herat, Badghis, Paktia, and Nangarhar provinces.

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