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Explosion in Herat leaves 4 dead, 9 others wounded

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At least five people were killed in an explosion in western Herat province of Afghanistan this afternoon, local government officials said.

Provincial governor's spokesman Jilani Farhad said the incident took place in Shindand district Bazaar, leaving at least two soldiers and three civilians dead.

He said the incident took place after a motorcycle packed with explosives was detonated close to a security post.

No group including the Taliban militants has so far claimed responsibility behind the incident.

Taliban insurgents are active in a number of remote districts of Herat province including Shindand which often witnesses violence.

This comes as at least three Afghan soldiers and two civilians were wounded in an explosion in Herat city earlier this month.

The incident on 3rd August took place after a magnetic bomb planted in a vehicle of the Afghan National Army (ANA) forces was detonated.

The Taliban insurgents and militants belonging to the other militant groups are frequently using magnetic bombs to target the government and security personnel.