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Afghan intelligence foil attack on Indian consulate in Nangarhar

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The Afghan intelligence operatives foiled an attack plot by the anti-government armed militant groups on the Indian Consulate in eastern Nangarhar province of Afghanistan.

The National Directorate of Security (NDS) said two suspects identified as Nasrullah son of Hazrat Bilal and Obaidullah famous as Shina son of Torrkhan were arrested in connection to the attack plot.

NDS further added that the detained individuals were looking to use 5 kg of water gel, 15 kg of potassium chloride, 9 hand grenades, 1 Improvised Explosive Device, 6 electronic capsules, 2 remote controls, 1 GPS set, 1 communication device, 1 binacolare, 1 sniper, 1 Dshk heavy machine gun, 2 meters of explosives strip, and some other equipment and Afghan army uniform to conduct the attack.

The anti-government armed militant groups including the Taliban insurgents have not commented regarding the report so far.

This is not the first time the anti-government armed militant groups have carried out attacks on Indian missions in Afghanistan.

At least three people including a policeman lost their lives and 19 others sustained injuries in an attack on the Indian consulate in eastern Nangarhar province in March this year.

The attack was launched by a group of at least 6 militants but did not result in any casualties to Indian diplomats and consulate employees.

A policeman and two civilians were among those killed and 19 others were wounded including women and children.