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Three NATO soldiers killed in attack

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Three International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) service members were killed in attack of the armed opponents in eastern Afghanistan Wednesday, the US-led military alliance said.

“Three International Security Assistance Force service members died following an insurgent attack in eastern Afghanistan today,” an ISAF press release available with the Afghan Islamic Press (AIP) stated.

The press release did not disclose nationality of the fallen soldier and exact location of the incident, in line with its policy.

“It is ISAF policy to defer casualty identification procedures to the relevant national authorities,” the press release added.

However, a convoy of the foreign forces came under a double suicide attack in eastern Kunar province of Afghanistan today.

Meanwhile, the Kunar provincial assembly chairman, Mian Hassan Adil told the Afghan Islamic Press (AIP) the foreign forces came under a double suicide attack near the provincial assembly in Asadabad. He said the attack caused casualties.

Meanwhile, the Kunar civil hospital in-charge, Dr Farooq Sahak said a dead three injured civilians had been brought to the facility.

Eyewitnesses said foreign forces on-foot and aboard vehicles came under the attack of two suicide bombers near the provincial assembly.

An eyewitness said he saw more than 10 foreign forces dead or injured. The Taliban claimed responsibility for the attack and their spokesman, Zabihullah Mujahid told the AIP: "Two suicide mujahideen attacked the American troops from two sides near in front of the provincial assembly building in Kunar's capital Asadabad. Seven US soldiers were killed and several more injured in the attack. Three military vehicles were also destroyed in the suicide attack."

Mujahid alleged the foreign forces opened fire on civilians after the attack, causing casualties to them.

It's pertinent to mention that the Taliban had attacked an ISAF base in Logar's capital Pul-i-Alam with an explosives-laden vehicle yesterday. Three Afghan civilians were killed and some combined troops were injured in the attack. However, the Taliban claimed to have killed dozens of Afghan and foreign forces in the assault.