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A dozen dead, 59 injured in Wardak attacks

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A dozen people --- eight civilians and four police --- were killed and 69 others, including 47 civilians, were injured when two suicide attackers, one driving a fuel tanker, detonated their explosives near a US base in central Maidan Wardak province on Saturday, officials said.

One attacker exploded his explosives-laden vest outside the governor's house at 6am and another blew up his bomb-rigged fuel tanker on a road separating the governor's office from the US-run Operational Coordination Centre in Syedabad district, the governor's spokesman Sahidullah Shahid told Pajhwok Afghan News.

The dead included eight civilians and four policemen, he said, adding another 69 people, including 47 civilians, seven policemen, three National Directorate of Security (*NDS*) agents and two International Security Assistance Force (*ISAF*) soldiers, were injured in the twin blasts.

ISAF's media office in Kabul confirmed the back-to-back suicide attacks, saying none of its member was among the dead.

The Taliban have claimed responsibility for the attacks, with their spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid saying dozens of Afghan and foreign soldiers were killed and wounded.

Police said it was a very powerful explosion that broke windows all over the area. Most of the injuries were from broken glass from the windows of homes and shops.

