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Explosion kills district governor in Takhar province

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According to local authorities in north-eastern Takhar province of Afghanistan, district chief for Eshkamesh, Abdul Manan Hakimi was killed along with his two security guards following a roadside bomb explosion in this province.

Provincial security chief spokesman Abdul Khalil Hasir confirming the report said the incident took place around 7 am local time on Thursday.

Mr. Hasir further added the incident took place after the vehicle of Eshkamesh district chief Abdul Manan Hakimi struck with a roadside bomb while he was on his way towards his office.

Takhar is among the peaceful regions in north-eastern Afghanistan however militants have recently increased their insurgency activities in a number of its districts.

Abdul Khalil Hisar, provincial security spokesman also added that two police officers were injured during the explosion.

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