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Over 1000 Taliban militants planning attack on Nuristan province

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^[1]Taliban militants are preparing to launch a major attack on two main districts in eastern Nuristan province of Afghanistan, local officials said.

According to reports over 1000 Taliban militants are planning to take control of two districts in Nuristan province, and local officials have requested to deploy further troops in this province in order to counter possible militants attacks.

Provincial governor spokesman Mohammad Zahir Bahand said over 1000 militants have gathered in Kamdish and Bar-g-Matal districts are waiting to receive instructions from pakistani militants to start their offensive.

Mr. Bahand further added that the militants are looking to take control of two districts in Nuristan province.

Taliban militants have increased their insurgency activities across the country since they announced their summer offensive back in April.

Afghan security officials believe that the Taliban group are aiming victory over Afghan security forces and have doubled their activities as NATO troops are preparing to end their combat operation by the end of 2014.

Security officials are also saying that Afghan national security forces have the capabilities to counter militants activities and threats.

Provincial governor of Nuristan also said that Afghan national security forces are prepared to defend militants attacks however he insisted that more troops should be deployed.

This comes as officials in Wardak province earlier said that over 200 Pakistani militants were deployed in different districts and are looking to carry out attacks on government institutions and security forces.