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Attack on Indian Consulate in Jalalabad leaves 8 killed, 21 injured

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Jalalabad city in eastern Nangarhar province of Afghanistan was jolted by an explosion on Saturday morning. There are also reports that the explosion triggered gun battle in the area.

There are no reports regarding the type of explosion, whether it was a suicide attack or an improvised explosive device (IED) explosion.

In the meantime provincial governor spokesman Ahmad Zia Abdulzai confirming the report said the explosion took place near the Indian consulate in Jalalabad city around 10:00am local time after a suicide bomber detonated his explosives, but he said there are no reports regarding the casualties.

Provincial public health chief said at least 29 people including 8 dead person and 21 injured individuals have been taken to hospital so far.

The Indian embassy in a statement said that all officials in the Indian Consulate in Jalalabad city are safe.

The ministry of education of Afghanistan following a statement said that a number of students who were on their way towards the mosque for religious studies were killed or injured following the attack.