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35 civilians, 22 Afghan security forces killed in Helmand clashes

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At least 35 civilians have been killed and over 40 others have been injured during clashes in southern Helmand province of Afghanistan.

The gunbattle between the Taliban militants and Afghan security forces broke out in Sangin district five days ago and reports suggest that clashes are still continuing between the two sides.

Provincial governor spokesman, Omar Zwak confirmed that the clashes are still going on between the two sides in Sangin district.

Zwak further added that 35 civilians have been killed and over 40 others have been injured so far.

He said at least 50 Taliban militants were also killed during the clashes while 9 Afghan soldiers and 13 policemen were martyred.

According to Zwak, over 40 Afghan national security have also been injured during the clashes.

The Taliban militants group has not commented regarding the report so far.