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At least 61 rockets have been fired in eastern Kunar province of Afghanistan in the latest wave of cross-border shelling.

According to local government officials, the rockets landed in Dangam, Shegal and Marwara districts.

The officials further added that the shelling started on Tuesday and continued until early Wednesday.

Provincial security chief, Gen. Abdul Habib Syed Khel, confirmed the shelling and said no casualties were reported.

Cross-border shelling in eastern Kunar province had been halted during the recent weeks, with the last shelling reported earlier in June.

Pakistan had intensified cross-border shelling in eastern Kunar province of Afghanistan during the months of May and June.

The Pakistani air force also carried out an airstrike in Kunar province late in May which sparked furor among the Afghan officials.

According to local government officials, the airstrike left at least five civilians dead and eleven others injured.