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Explosion in Helmand leaves 4 civilians dead

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At least four civilians were killed following an explosion in southern Helmand province of Afghanistan.

According to local government officials, the incident took place late Saturday in Marjah district, leaving four civilians dead and four others injured.

Provincial governor spokesman, Omar Zwak, confirmed the incident and said the last took place after a motorcycle packed with explosives went off.

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

Helmand is among the volatile provinces in southern Afghanistan where anti-government armed militant groups including the Taliban militants are actively operating in its various districts.

The insurgent groups frequently use improvised explosive device (IED) to target Afghan and coalition security forces which normally leads to civilian casualties.