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5 policemen martyred in Wardak roadside bomb explosion

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At least five policemen were martyred following an explosion in central Maidan Wardak province of Afghanistan.

According to local government officials, the incident took place late Saturday in Jalrez district.

Provincial governor spokesman, Ataullah Khogyani said the incident took place in Ismail Khel area after a vehicle of the police forces struck with an improvised explosive device (IED).

Khogyani further added that the police vehicle was completely damaged following the blast.

The Taliban militants group claimed responsibility behind the incident.

Zabiullah Mujahid, a spokesman for the Taliban group said at least six policemen were killed following the blast.

Wardak is among the relatively volatile provinces in central Afghanistan where anti-government armed militants are actively operating in a number of its districts and frequently carry out insurgency activities.

Taliban militants and insurgents from the other militant groups frequently use improvised explosive device (IED) as the weapon of their choice to target the security forces.

