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Over 10 policemen missing following Taliban attack in Badakhshan

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At least 17 policemen are missing following an attack by Taliban militants in northeastern Badakhshan province, local officials said.

The provincial police spokesman, Lal Mohammad Ahmadzai said Taliban militants launched coordinated attacks on a number of check posts of the Afghan border police and Afghan public order police forces on Saturday.

Ahmadzai further added the incident took place on Sofian village in Wardoj district.

He confirmed that over 10 policemen are missign following the attack, while four others were killed.

In the meantime, spokesman for the Ministry of Interior (MoI) Sediq Sediq said operations have been launched to clear the district from the militants activities.

Badakhshan is among the relatively volatile provinces in northeastern Afghanistan where anti-government armed militant groups are actively operating in a number of its districts.

Taliban militants group claimed responsibility behind the attack.

A spokesman for the Taliban group Zabiullah Mujahid claimed that 30 personnel of the Afghan national security forces were captured and 10 tanks were destroyed following the attack.

