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4 killed in US assassination drone strike in Afghanistan

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At least four people have been killed in a US drone strike in Afghanistan's northeastern province of Kunar.

The attack took place in the city of Ghaziabad on Wednesday, local police officials said.

The US army carried out similar attacks on Tuesday, killing 18 people in the eastern province of Nangarhar.

The US-led forces have recently increased their air raids against civilian areas in Afghanistan.

On Monday, a drone attack in Nangarhar left at least four people dead. Five people were also killed and three others wounded in a US drone strike in Kunar on November 16.

On November 11, at least six people lost their lives when US-led foreign forces carried out a drone strike in the Spin Ghar district of Nangarhar.

The US carries out targeted killings through drone strikes in several Muslim countries, such as Afghanistan, Yemen, Pakistan and Somalia. Washington claims the targets of the drone attacks are militants, but local officials and witnesses maintain that civilians have been the main victims of such raids over the past few years.

The United Nations and several human rights organizations have identified the US as the world's number-one user of "targeted killings," largely due to its drone attacks in Pakistan and Afghanistan.