

War Casualties' Weekly Report



QASSED Strategic Research Center closely monitors the casualties of Afghan civilians and the involved parties due to war and security incidents on a weekly basis.

The casualties' figures are collected based on confirmed information and reports reported by the Afghan government sources, Taliban sources, eye-witnesses, and other reliable sources.

The main purpose of these reports is to grab attention of authorities and responsible parties to severe casualties of the ongoing war.



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Preface

This report covers the casualties of the ongoing war which have been occurred in different areas of the county during August 30 – September 5, 2019. Overall, 1272 people have been killed or wounded last week (624 have been killed and 648 have been wounded).

The report shows that this week was bloodier than the past several weeks. Two heavy motor-bombs exploded in Kabul this week, killing foreigners as well as civilians. At least 16 civilians were killed and 119 others injured as a result of a motor-bomb attack on Green Village camp in Kabul. On the other hand, heavy casualties of Afghan forces were reported during the mass attacks by Taliban militants in Kunduz and Baghlan provinces, as well as armed clashes in Balkh province. In Kunduz city alone, 21 Afghan soldiers have been killed and 85 others wounded. In addition, killing four brothers under the name of operation against ISIS in Jalalabad city angered lot of Afghans this week and for the first time in the past few months, reactions were seen.

Going forward through the report, details and exact figures of the casualties' of the Afghan government forces, anti-government armed militants, civilians, and foreign forces can be found in separate titles.

Afghan Forces' Casualties

August 30:

An armed clash took place between Afghan forces and Taliban in Chah-e-Aab district of Takhar province, wounding three Afghan soldiers.

Taliban fighters attacked Ambarkoh military base in Bahark district of Takhar province, killing eight policemen and wounding four others, in addition to seizing the base.

Taliban fighters have also attacked and seized a military base in Darqad district of Takhar province, killing 12 Afghan soldiers and wounding 11 others.

Four policemen were killed when a roadside bomb exploded on a police patrol car in Mes-e-Ainak area of Mohammad Agha district of Logar province.

Two policemen and an ANA soldier were killed and 14 others were injured in a Taliban attack on Afghan forces' outpost in Laman village of Qala-e-Naw district (province center) of Badghis province.



August 31:

As a result of Taliban attack on Kunduz city from several directions and a suicide attack on the police headquarters at the end of the same day, 21 security forces were killed and 85 others were wounded.

Three policemen were killed in an attack in Maroof district of Kandahar province.

A policeman was killed and two ANA soldiers were injured in a Taliban attack on an outpost in Atghar district of Zabul province.

A group of Taliban fighters attacked an ANA checkpoint in the Kishem area of Mohammed Agha district of Logar province, killing ten soldiers.

September 1:

In Anar-Dara district of Farah province, the district police chief's family members and his two bodyguards were killed in a roadside bomb blast.

A pro-government militia commander has been killed in a landmine blast in Chaman-e-Mukhaberat area of Faizabad city of Badakhshan province.

Two pro-government armed men were killed and seven others were injured in airstrikes by US air forces following an armed clash between Taliban and Afghan forces in Dasht-e-Qala district of Takhar province.

Two Afghan soldiers were injured in an armed clash between Afghan forces and Taliban in Khwaja-Sabz-Posh district of Faryab province.

25 Afghan soldiers have been killed and 29 others injured as a result of mass Taliban attacks and several days of armed clashes in Pul-e-Khumri city of Baghlan province.

At least three ANA soldiers were killed and two others were injured in an attack by Taliban militants on Gozriwan district of Faryab province.

September 2:

In the Khoonian area of Qarabagh district of Ghazni province, as a result of Taliban ambush on Afghan forces, six local policemen were killed and three others were wounded.

Six policemen were killed and four others were injured in an explosion in Se-Derk area of Kunduz city.

An ANA soldier was killed and three local policemen were injured in a Taliban attack on a security checkpoint in Imam Sahib district of Kunduz province.

In the Turkmenan village of Dasht-e-Archi district of Kunduz province, three local police outposts and a national police outpost were seized by Taliban fighters, killing five local



policemen and five national policemen, and wounding 17 others, including the district chief and the director of National Directorate of Security (NDS).

September 3:

40 security personnel have been killed in a Taliban attack on the Zari district of Balkh province.

A local police commander and his bodyguard were killed and two other policemen were injured in a roadside bomb blast in the Garaj area of Ahmedabad district of Paktia province.

Taliban militants attacked a checkpoint in Shindand district of Herat province, killing two policemen and wounding another.

Taliban militants attacked a local police outpost in Beshkapa area of Yangi Qala district of Baghlan province, killing 11 local policemen including a local police commander.

Taliban militants attacked a checkpoint in Qala-e-Naw, the capital of Badghis province, killing three ANA soldiers and injuring two others.

September 4:

Taliban militants attacked a check post in Qadis district of Badghis province, killing one policeman and wounding three others.

A policeman was killed in a clash between Taliban and Afghan forces in Nad-Ali district of Helmand province.

A policeman was killed by two unidentified gunmen near the PD9 of Kandahar City.

In Sangin district of Helmand province, Taliban militants attacked a police post, killing nine Afghan soldiers.

Taliban militants attacked Afghan forces in Baghlan-e-Markazi district of Baghlan province, killing three policemen.

On his way to a local police outpost in Khanabad district of Kunduz province, a local policeman was killed by Taliban.

Taliban attacked police headquarter in Khas-Uruzgan district of Uruzgan province, killing four Afghan soldiers and wounding eight others.

September 5:

Armed Taliban attacked the center of Oba district of Herat province, killing four Afghan soldiers and two local policemen and wounding eight policemen.

An ANA soldier has been killed by Taliban in Pashtunkot district of Faryab province.

At least three Afghan soldiers were killed and two others wounded in an armed attack of Taliban in Dara-e-Souf district of Samangan province.



Table-1: Afghan Forces' Casualties

Name	Killed	Injured	Total Killed and Injured
ANA	44	31	75
Police	166	179	345
Total	210	210	420

Anti-government Armed Militants' Casualties

August 30:

An armed clash has erupted between Afghan forces and Taliban in Chah-e-Aab district of Takhar province, resulting in the death of 28 Taliban fighters.

August 31:

As a result of the Taliban attacks from several directions on Kunduz city, 36 Taliban militants were killed and 10 others were injured.

Taliban militants attacked Atghar and Daichopan districts of Zabul province, and as a result of a counter-attack by Afghan forces, 31 Taliban militants were killed and 15 others wounded.

In the Shergha area of Khakrez district of Kandahar province, 13 Taliban militants were killed and 21 others were wounded as a result of armed clashes between Afghan forces and Taliban.

September 2:

A Taliban militant was killed in Qarabagh district of Ghazni province.

At least nine Taliban militants, including a Taliban commander, were killed in an attack by Afghan forces in Gulran district of Herat province.

Seven Taliban fighters were killed and two others wounded in an attack by Afghan forces in Musazi area of Shajoi district of Zabul province.

Seven Taliban fighters were killed in an attack by Afghan forces in Charchino district of Uruzgan province.

14 Taliban militants were killed during a night raid by Afghan Special Forces in Dasht-e-Archi district of Kunduz province.

September 3:



As a result of clashes between Taliban and Afghan Forces in Baghlan province, 51 Taliban militants were killed and 31 others were injured.

Seven ISIS militants have been killed in airstrikes in Khogyani district of Nangarhar province.

Five Taliban militants were killed by Afghan forces during Taliban attack on the Green Village camp in PD9 of Kabul city.

September 4:

13 Taliban militants were killed and four others wounded in ground attacks and airstrikes by Afghan forces in Nawa district of Helmand province. Also, six militants were killed in airstrikes in Mirmandab area of Greshk district of the same province.

Six Taliban insurgents were killed in a clash between Taliban and Afghan forces in Nad-Ali district of Helmand province.

Four Taliban militants were killed by Afghan forces during planting a mine on Asadabad highway in Kunar province.

Seven Taliban fighters were killed in an attack by Afghan forces in Warduj district of Badakhshan province.

After a Taliban attack on the center of Khas-Uruzgan district of Uruzgan province, 17 Taliban militants were killed and seven others were injured.

September 5:

30 Taliban fighters were killed and 15 others were injured in a clash between Taliban and Afghan forces in the Oba district of Herat province.

Table 2: Casualties of the Anti-government Armed Militants

Name	Killed	Injured	Total Killed and Injured
Taliban	285	105	390
ISIS	7	-	7
Total	292	105	397

Civilian Casualties

August 30:

Two civilians, including a woman, were killed and four others were injured when an explosives-rigged rickshaw exploded in front of a security base in Helmand's Greshk district.

Four civilians, including three women and a child, have been injured in an explosion on the second road of Taimani Project area of Kabul city.

August 31:

Six civilians were killed and 35 others were injured as a result of a mass Taliban attack on Kunduz city and a suicide attack on police headquarters on the same day.

12 civilians were killed in US forces airstrikes at three houses in Gorziwan district of Faryab province.

September 1:

A mortar shell has been fired at a house by Taliban in the Shamshakhel village of Alishang district of Laghman province, killing seven civilians, including four children and a woman of a single-family, and wounding six others.

A civilian was injured in a bomb blast in Chaman-e-Mukhaberat area of Faizabad city of Badakhshan province.

Six people were killed in a roadside bomb blast in Anar-Dara district of Farah province .The car rides were family members of the district police chief.

Eight civilians, including a woman, were killed in a roadside bomb blast in Chamtal district of Balkh province.

Four civilians were killed and seven others injured in a number of bomb blasts in Ferozkoh city of Ghor province.

Three children were killed and two civilians were injured during an armed clash between Afghan forces and Taliban in Khwaja Sabz Posh district of Faryab province.

11 civilians were killed and 56 others were injured in a series of Taliban attacks and two days of armed clashes in Pul-e-Khumri city, the center of Baghlan province.

September 2:

A former mayor of Badakhshan province and his bodyguard have been killed in an explosion.

16 civilians have been killed and 119 others injured in a Taliban attack on the Green Village camp in PD9 of Kabul city.

11 civilians were injured as a result of a suicide bomb attack in Kunduz city.



Two children were killed and ten others were injured in airstrikes by foreign forces in the Amir Qala of Tangi area of Said-Abad district of Maidan Wardak province.

September 3:

Seven civilians were killed in armed clashes between Taliban and Afghan forces in Baghlan province.

September 5:

Four members of a single-family, brothers, were killed in Afghan Special Forces (02 unit) operation in PD4 of Jalalabad city.

Ten civilians were killed and 42 others were injured in an explosion took place in first Makroyan area of PD9 of Kabul city.

Abdul Samad Amiri, human rights commission head in Ghor province, was first arrested by Taliban militants on his way to Kabul, and his body was later found dead in Jalrez district of Maidan Wardak province.

In the Padakhob area of Logar province, a car bomb exploded on Kabul - Logar Road, killing four civilians and wounding 11 others.

Six civilians were killed during a night raid in the Chak district of Maidan Wardak province.

Table 3: Civilian Casualties

Name	Killed	Injured	Total Killed and Injured
Civilians	111	308	419
Total	111	308	419

Foreign Forces' Casualties

August 31:

The Resolute Support Mission in Afghanistan confirmed in a statement that one of its soldiers was killed in Afghanistan on August 29. Details of the soldier's identity and whereabouts of the incident were not given in the statement.

September 2:

At least eight foreigners have been killed and 25 others injured in a motor-bomb attack by Taliban militants near Green Village camp in PD9 of Kabul City. The dead and wounded were



the guards of the camp and other people. According to the Romanian Foreign Ministry statement, Romanians were also killed and wounded.

September 5:

Two foreign troops have been killed in a motor-bomb blast in first Makroyan area of the ninth security district of Kabul city. NATO Resolute Support Mission said, one American and one Romanian soldier were killed in the attack.

Table 4: Foreign Forces Casualties

Name	Killed	Injured	Total Killed and Injured
Foreign Forces	11	25	36
Total	11	25	36

Conclusion and Analysis of the Week

The report shows that all over the country, 1272 people have been killed and injured (624 of them were killed and 648 wounded) from 30 August - 5 September 2019.

This week a significant increase was seen in casualties of all involved parties and civilians. Last week, 104 Afghan soldiers were killed, but this week the death toll has increased by twice as much as last week to reach 210 killed Afghan soldiers. Last week, 232 armed militants were killed, however, this week's report shows a significant increase to reach 292 killed militants in different parts of the country. Last week, the number of civilians killed was 29, but again this week, the number has nearly increased four times to be 104 killed civilians. Civilians are still killed and injured by heavy blasts, night raids and airstrikes, and face-to-face combats.

This week has been very bloody for both sides of the ongoing war and the Afghan civilians which shows rising of war casualties over the past few months. There have been several bloody security incidents this week, with several heavy blasts and major incidents of Taliban attacks in urban areas in the northern provinces of the country.

On the other hand, foreign forces casualties were also high this week. 11 foreigners were killed and 25 were injured in three security incidents, 4 of which were confirmed dead by NATO mission forces and the Romanian officials by issuing statements, and the rest confirmed by reliable security sources. Most of the foreign forces casualties were reported as a result of a motor-bomb blast at Green Village Camp, where sources said that eight foreigners were killed and 25 others injured. This is the fourth attack on Green Village camp, which was considered the bloodiest.

This week in Jalalabad city, the killing of four young brothers during a night raid by the Afghan National Security Special Forces (02 unit) triggered a lot of reactions by the public, which forced the head of the NDS to resign. These men have been killed accused of being ISIS fighters. Over the past few months, widespread criticism took place to condemn night operations over unarmed and innocent Afghans causing their death in their homes without a trial. Such incidents occur every week in different parts of the country; however, this is the first time that public showed such reaction which forced the government to take action.

The escalation of violence and security incidents throughout the country comes at a time when the peace deal between the US and the Taliban in Qatar has been finalized and the Afghan government was worried about the deal. In addition, the deadline for Afghanistan's presidential elections is approaching. These are two factors that are believed to be trying to import pressures from both sides of the war; however, unfortunately, civilian lives are ignored and civilian casualties have increased significantly.

Given the bloody situation of war in the country, QASED Strategic Research Center urges both sides of the war to reduce violence in the battlefield and in particular, to pay serious attention to the lives of civilians.

Table 5: Total casualties of war and security incidents

Name	Killed	Name	Wounded
Afghan Forces	210	Afghan Forces	210
Anti-government Militants	292	Anti-government Militants	105
Civilians	111	Civilians	308
Foreign forces	11	Foreign forces	25
Total	624	Total	648
Total Casualties		1272	

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