

Afghan 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 September 20 – 26, 2019. Overall, 429 people have been killed or wounded this week (252 have been killed and 177 have been wounded).

Overall, last week's report shows that the death toll of casualties in the country has dropped slightly compared to the previous week, however this week was still to be considered bloody for civilians. The bloodiest incident this week took place in Musa Qala district of Helmand province where airstrikes by Afghan and foreign forces killed 40 people, including women and children. The deadliest incidents for Afghan forces occurred in Pashtunkot district of Faryab and Aliabad district in Kunduz province. 23 Afghan security forces have been killed as a result of these two incidents. Likewise, many casualties to the anti-government armed militants took place as a result of airstrikes by Afghan and foreign troops.

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

September 20:

A mortar shell was struck by a security officer's car in Logar province, wounding the officer and his three guards.

September 21:

In an armed clasp between local police and Taliban in Zari district of Balkh province, five local policemen were killed and ten others were injured.

In the area of eleventh district of Kabul city, two blasts occurred near to Salaam Telecommunications Company, wounding a policeman.

An armed clash erupted between Afghan forces and Taliban in Company area of Muqur district of Ghazni province, wounding one policeman.



September 22:

A roadside bomb exploded in Dand-e-Patan district of Paktia province, killing three border policemen.

A policeman was killed and another was injured as a result of armed clashes between Taliban and Afghan forces in Qaisar district of Faryab province.

A policeman was killed and five others were injured in a roadside bomb blast in Arghistan district of Kandahar province.

September 23:

Taliban kidnapped three NDS staff on the way between Nahrin and Doshi districts of Baghlan province, killing one of them and releasing the other two.

A local police commander has been killed in a Taliban ambush in the Angaran area of Shahr-e-bozork district of Badakhshan province.

A policeman was killed and another injured in a clash between Afghan forces and Taliban in Karmwy area of Mata-Khan district of Paktia province.

September 24:

An NDS staff member was killed by Taliban in PD3 of Kunduz city,

A policeman was killed by two unidentified motorcycle-riding gunmen in Kandahar city.

Gunmen attacked an outpost in Ali-Abad district of Kunduz province, killing 10 policemen.

September 25:

An armed clash erupted between Afghan forces and Taliban in Qaramqol district of Faryab province, resulting in the death of three policemen.

Taliban militants attacked a check post in Pashtunkot district of Faryab province, killing 13 policemen and wounding six others.

Taliban attacked the center of Bilcharagh district of Faryab province, killing one ANA soldier and wounding three others.

September 26:

Taliban fighters attacked an outpost in Dara-e-Suf Payan district of Samangan province, killing five policemen and wounding five others.

In Darzab district of Jawzjan province, Taliban militants attacked a police post, killing four policemen and wounding five others.



Table-1: Afghan Forces' Casualties

Name	Killed	Injured	Total Killed and Injured
ANA	1	3	4
Police	50	39	89
Total	51	42	93

Anti-government Armed Militants' Casualties

September 20:

Five Taliban fighters have been killed in an airstrike by foreign troops in Kamal-Khel area of Logar province.

September 21:

Due to air and ground attacks of Afghan forces in Zari district of Balkh province, Taliban district chief and eight other armed men were killed and 13 others were wounded.

At least 10 Taliban militants were killed and two others wounded in a foreign troops attack in Arghistan district of Kandahar province.

An armed clash occurred between Afghan forces and Taliban in Company area of Muqur district of Ghazni province, in which killed four Taliban fighters and wounded seven others.

September 22:

In the Saaq area of Qaisar district of Faryab province, Taliban fighters attempted to attack the office of election commission in which the clashes with Afghan forces resulted in the death of two Taliban militants.

14 Taliban fighters were killed in a special operation by Afghan forces in Khwaja Omari, Dehik and Andar districts of Ghazni province.

Seven armed militants were killed in a special operation by Afghan forces in Charikar, the center of Parwan province.

September 23:

Six militants were killed in an attack by Afghan forces in Musa Qala district of Helmand province.

Four Taliban insurgents were killed in a clash between Afghan forces and Taliban in Laghori-Peeran area of Tani district of Khost province.

As a result of an armed clash between Afghan forces and armed Taliban in Mata-Khan district of Paktia province, 16 Taliban members were killed and three others were injured.

A clash erupted between Taliban and ISIS fighters in Nangarhar province, resulting in the death of nine ISIS fighters and two Taliban militants and injuring two other Taliban militants.

Nine militants were killed in an airstrike in Seyori area of Shinkay district of Zabul province.

September 24:

In Dasht-e-Qala district of Takhar province, a Taliban fighter was killed and another was injured as a result of armed clashes between Afghan forces and Taliban.

Six Taliban militants were killed and eight others were injured in attacks by Afghan forces in Atghar district of Zabul province and Chory district of Uruzgan province.

Three Taliban militants were killed and two others wounded during a joint operation by Afghan forces in Yakhchal area of Nahr-e-Seraj district of Helmand province.

September 25:

An armed clash erupted between Afghan forces and Taliban in the Qaramqol district of Faryab province, in which killed 20 Taliban fighters and wounded 37 others.

Table 2: Casualties of the Anti-government Armed Militants

Name	Killed	Injured	Total Killed and Injured
Taliban	118	75	193
ISIS	9	-	9
Total	127	75	202

Civilian Casualties

September 20:

An explosion in Spin-Buldak district of Kandahar province killed two civilians and injured five others.

A bomb explosion in Pul-e-Alam, the center of Logar province after Friday prayer, killed two people and injured two others.

Three people, including a six-year-old child and a woman, were killed in a roadside bomb blast in Shahr-e-Kohna area of Yangi Qala district of Takhar province.

September 21:

A mortar blast in Shah-Mast-Qalandar area of Charikar city of Parwan province killed one woman and injured eight people, including six children.

September 22:

A roadside mine blast in Hassan-Khel area of Dand-e-Patan district of Paktia province killed three civilians.

Due to an unidentified gunman shooting, one civilian was shot killed and two children were injured in She-Dokan-Inchu area of Sayed-khel district of Parwan province.

A civilian was killed and another injured in a magnetic bomb blast attached to a private car in PD4 of Jalalabad city, Nangarhar province.

A teacher, who has been threatened by Taliban - has been killed in Dowlina district of Ghor province.

September 23:

40 civilians were killed and 18 others were injured in airstrikes by Afghan and foreign troops during a wedding ceremony in Musa-Qala district of Helmand province.

Three civilians, including two traders, were killed in a roadside bomb blast in Posht-Koh district of Farah province.

In a special operation by Afghan forces in Joy-Chahar area of Shilgar district of Ghazni province, two civilians were killed and two women were injured.

Taliban militants have killed three brothers in an ambush in Paswand district of Ghor province.



A min exploded on a group of children, who were playing games, in Sayadi area of Nahrin district of Baghlan province, killing a mother and an eight-year-old child and injuring seven others.

September 24:

A tribal elder was killed by unidentified gunmen in Jihad-Mina in Gardez city, the center of Paktia province.

An explosion on President Ghani's election campaign office in Kandahar province, killing four civilians, including a journalist, and injuring seven others.

September 25:

A bomb blast took place at the office of Ghulam Wali Afghan, a member of the Afghan parliament, in Helmand province, in which injured three civilians.

One person was injured due to a magnetic bomb blast attached to a car in the third district of Jalalabad city.

Taliban attacked the center of Bilcharagh district of Faryab province, during which killed a woman.

A civilian was killed and another was injured in a roadside bomb blast in Ferozkoh city of Ghor province.

September 26:

Three children were killed in rocket attacks by Pakistani army in the Shiltan district of Kunar province.

Table 3: Civilian Casualties

Name	Killed	Injured	Total Killed and Injured
Civilians	74	57	131
Total	74	57	131

Foreign Forces' Casualties

September 23:

A Taliban infiltrator attacked foreign troops at the Kandahar airport, wounding three US soldiers. However, according to Taliban, 12 US soldiers were killed in the attack.

Conclusion and Analysis of the Week

The report shows that all over the country, 429 people have been killed and injured (252 of them were killed and 177 wounded) from 20 - 26 September 2019.

There has been a slight increase in the death toll of Afghan forces this week. Last week, 41 Afghan security forces were killed, but this week the casualties increased slightly compared to previous week reaching 51 Afghan soldiers. Moreover, 161 armed militants were killed last week, but this week, the level shows a slight decline. 127 Taliban militants and ISIS fighters were killed in all parts of the country. On the other hand, although this was once again a bloodiest week for civilians, the civilian casualties rate has dropped slightly compared to previous week. Last week, the civilian death toll was 115, but this week the number has dropped to 74.

This week's report shows that civilians suffered heavy casualties in airstrikes by Afghan and foreign troops in Helmand province. Although, the Afghan government's security organs released contradictory information about the incident in Musa-Qala district of Helmand; however, the Afghan government claimed that they have killed dozens of anti-government militants, including Pakistani and Bangladeshi fighters. But residents of the area brought the dead and wounded to the center of Helmand province where all the casualties were civilians, including women and children. Helmand civilians condemned the incident in a protest and called on the Afghan government to punish the perpetrators of the incident.

The civilian casualties reported after the Afghan President announced the closure of night raids and attacks. Over the past few months, dozens of night operations and airstrikes have completely targeted civilians which led to an increase in civilian casualties.

The UN representative also said in a statement released on civilian casualties, that the involved parties should pay serious attention to the civilians' lives and that they are concerned that in the last few months civilian casualties have increased. The Emergency Department and the Ministry of Health also reported in a report last week that 3300 civilians were killed and 14600 others injured in the last 12 months.

The bloody situation in the country, and especially the civilian casualties, comes at a time when peace talks between the United States and the Taliban have been postponed by the US president at the latest round of talks after a year of negotiations.

QASED Strategic Research Center emphasizes to pay attention to the bloody situation in the country, and especially on the widespread civilian casualties. Moreover, emphasizes that peace and the end of the ongoing bloody war are the main priorities of the country and that the presidential elections in the current situation is meaningless where it creates more obstacles to



peace. That is why we call on the international community and the Afghan war parties to make serious efforts for peace in accordance to their human responsibility.

Table 4: Total casualties of war and security incidents

Name	Killed	Name	Wounded
Afghan Forces	51	Afghan Forces	42
Anti-government Militants	127	Anti-government Militants	75
Civilians	74	Civilians	57
Foreign forces	-	Foreign forces	3
Total	252	Total	177
Total Casualties		429	

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