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## Afghan War Casualties' Weekly Report



QASED 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 and international actors 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 November 8 – 14, 2019. Overall, 359 people have been killed or wounded this week (243 have been killed and 116 have been wounded).

According to the report's figures, the total death toll due to the ongoing war in the country has dropped this week compared to last week. Last week, 381 people were killed and wounded across the country; but this week, 359 were killed and wounded. The deadliest incident for Afghan forces in this week was the U.S. force's airstrike on a military base of ANA in Logar province, killing four Afghan soldiers and wounding six others. Civilian casualties also dropped this week compared to last week; however, many deaths were attributed to airstrikes and a bloody explosion in Kabul. In one incident, eight civilians were killed in an airstrike by foreign troops in Paktia province, and in another incident, a heavy explosion in the 15th Police District of Kabul city also killed 12 civilians and wounded 16 others. The death toll for the anti-government's armed militants is high this week, however, it shows a slight decline compared to last week.

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

## Afghan Forces' Casualties

### November 8:

A local police commander was killed in a bomb blast attached to his car in the Yamgan district of Badakhshan province.

Taliban militants attacked police outposts in Atghar district of Zabul province, killing one policeman and wounding two others as a result of an hour-long battle.

### November 9:

Taliban militants attacked a police outpost near the Kabul-Uruzgan highway in the Chinar area of Shahwalikot district of Kandahar province, killing three policemen and injuring four others.

A National Directorate of Security (NDS) soldier was killed and six policemen were injured during a joint military operation in Somak village of Dawlatar district of Ghor province.

### November 10:

A roadside bomb exploded on a police vehicle in Tirazayi district of Khost province, killing six policemen and wounding four others, along with an attorney.



**November 11:**

Two local policemen were killed in a clash with Taliban in Aaq Gunbad area of Gosfandi district of Sar-e-Pul province.

**November 12:**

US forces bombarded an ANA outpost in Khizar Bazar area of Pul-e-Alam, the capital of Logar province, killing four ANA soldiers and wounding six others.

Five policemen, including a commander, have been killed in an attack by a Taliban infiltrator in the Oba district of Herat province.

Two ANA soldiers were killed in two separate incidents in Belcheragh and Sherin Tagab districts of Faryab province along with civilians.

Three policemen were killed in a roadside bomb blast on a police car in Qadis district of Badghis province.

Two policemen, who were on vacation in their homes were killed by Taliban in Singan area of Jurm district of Badakhshan province.

**November 13:**

In an armed clash between Afghan forces and Taliban in Nijrab district of Kapisa province, the police chief of the district, Farid Mashal and two security personnel were injured.

**November 14:**

Four local policemen, including a local police commander, were killed in a Taliban attack on a security outpost in the Chartot area of Khanabad district of Kunduz province.

**Table-1: Afghan Forces' Casualties**

Name	Killed	Injured	Total Killed and Injured
ANA	6	6	12
Police	28	19	47
<b>Total</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>59</b>

## Anti-government Armed Militants' Casualties

### November 8:

An armed clash erupted between Afghan forces and Taliban in Qarqin district of Jawzjan province, killing two militants and wounding four others.

### November 9:

Four Taliban militants, including a commander, were killed in an airstrike by Afghan forces in the Mohammad Agha district of Logar province.

Seven militants were killed in an armed clash between Afghan forces and Taliban in the Sadoz Tapa area of Qurghan district of Faryab province.

Nine Taliban militants were killed in an armed clash between Afghan forces and Taliban in Zurmat district of Paktia province.

Nine Taliban militants were killed and five others wounded in an airstrike by Afghan forces in the Qurghan Mazar area of Nahrin district of Baghlan province.

Six Taliban militants were killed in an airstrike by Afghan forces in Khwaja-ram area of Matakhan district of Paktika province.

### November 10:

43 Taliban militants were killed in an airstrike by Afghan forces in Gizab district of Uruzgan province. In addition, during an armed clash in Chinar and Mano areas of Shahwalikot district of Kandahar province, 18 Taliban members were killed and another was injured.

Six ISIS fighters were killed in an airstrike by Afghan forces in Achin district of Nangarhar province.

A well-known Taliban judge has been killed in an attack by Afghan forces in Faryab province.

Three militants were killed in an airstrike by Afghan forces in Shinkai district of Zabul province.

Five armed Taliban were killed in airstrikes by Afghan forces in Yousuf Khel and Karokhel areas of Saidabad district of Maidan Wardak province. Also, six armed Taliban were killed in an airstrike in the China area of Abkazar valley in the Chak district.

### November 11:

Three Taliban commanders were killed in an airstrike by Afghan forces in the Rokian area of Zazi Aryob district of Paktia province.

In the Haji Mehrab area of Ali Abad district of Kunduz province, five militants were killed and three others were injured in their own bomb blast.

11 Taliban fighters were killed in an attack by Afghan forces in the Maiwand district of Kandahar province.



**November 12:**

Four Taliban militants were killed in a bomb blast at a mosque in the Nazarwal area of Andar district of Ghazni province.

In the Chamtal district of Balkh province, an Afghan army airstrike killed two militants and wounded three others.

**November 13:**

An armed clash has erupted between Afghan forces and Taliban in Nijrab district of Kapisa province, killing five militants and wounding 15 others.

As a result of Taliban and Afghan forces armed conflict in Kapisa province, eight Taliban militants were killed and 11 others injured.

22 Taliban insurgents were killed and seven others were injured in a clearance operation by Afghan forces in the Balandghor area of Sayyad district of Sar-e-Pul province.

Two Taliban militants were killed and three others were injured in an armed clash between Afghan commandos and Taliban in the Khwaja Omari district of Ghazni province.

**Table 2: Casualties of the Anti-government Armed Militants**

Name	Killed	Injured	Total Killed and Injured
Taliban	175	52	227
ISIS	6	-	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>233</b>

**Civilian Casualties****November 8:**

A farmer has been killed and two other civilians were injured in a rocket blast in a farmland in Salehkhel area of Nijrab district of Kapisa province.

Two civilians were injured by foreign forces' gas shells on civilian cars in Aziz Khan Kuch area of Qarghaye district of Laghman province.

**November 10:**

A civilian was killed in an armed clash between Afghan forces and Taliban in the Dahna-e-Alandar area of Ghor province's Ferozkoh city.



**November 11:**

Two civilians were kidnapped and then killed by Taliban in Ghor province.

A prosecutor has been killed in a roadside bomb blast in Tirazaiy district of Khost province.

Four civilians were injured in a bomb blast attached to a traffic car in the Kota-e-Sangi area of Kabul city.

In Alisangi area of Zazi Aryob district of Paktia province, foreign forces attacked a civilian vehicle, killing eight civilians including three women, two children and three men.

A civilian was killed and four others, including three women and a child, were injured in a roadside mine blast in Tani district of Khost province.

**November 12:**

A civilian was killed and five others were injured in two separate incidents in Belcheragh and Sherin Tagab districts of Faryab province.

**November 13:**

12 civilians, including three children, were killed and 16 others were injured in a car bomb attack on "GardaWorld" Canadian private security firm in Kabul city, along with the employees of the security company.

**November 14:**

A civilian was killed and two others were injured in a motorcycle bomb explosion in a bazaar in Sabari district of Khost province.

**Table 3: Civilian Casualties**

Name	Killed	Injured	Total Killed and Injured
Civilians	28	35	63
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>63</b>

**Foreign Forces' Casualties****November 13:**

Four foreigners were injured in a car bomb attack on "GardaWorld" Canadian private security firm in Kabul city, along with Afghan civilians.

## Conclusion and Analysis of the Week

The report shows that all over the country, 359 people have been killed and injured (243 of them were killed and 116 wounded) from 8 - 14 November 2019.

The total amount of casualties in this week has dropped. On the Afghan government's side, 52 Afghan security forces were killed last week; but this week the number has dropped to 34. The death toll from anti government's armed militants has also shown a slight decrease compared to last week. Last week, 188 armed militants were killed, but this week, 181 Taliban and ISIS fighters were killed in different parts of the country. On the other hand, the death toll for civilians has also declined compared to last week. Last week, the civilian death toll was 60, but this week the number has dropped to 28.

Given the security incidents and casualties recorded this week, though the overall death toll is lower than last week, a number of incidents caused heavy civilian casualties.

In one incident, a civilian vehicle was attacked by foreign troops in the Zazi Aryab district of Paktia province, resulting in the death of eight civilians. Although foreign troops based in Afghanistan have called for an investigation into the incident as usual, such incidents have been rampant throughout the country and the results of such investigations have never been published, and the general public in Afghanistan consider such incidents intentional attacks by foreign forces. On the other side, a suicide bombing in Kabul killed 12 civilians and injured 16 others. There have been no such bloody attacks in Kabul for last few months. Although the attack targeted a foreign private security company, civilian casualties were widespread in the incident. Overall, airstrikes by Afghan and foreign troops and bloody explosions in overcrowded areas are the two factors that have increased civilian casualties in the ongoing war in Afghanistan. Airstrikes on civilians and civilian casualties in such attacks significantly increased in the last few months. For the reason, the people of Paktia and Maidan Wardak provinces also reacted strongly to such attacks and deliberately targeting civilian targets by holding demonstrations and press conferences this week. Besides this, the people of Maidan Wardak provinces also expressed their concerns about the killings by Alipur, a local militia commander in the province.

On the other hand, in Logar province, US forces have carried out an airstrike on an ANA outpost, killing and injuring 10 Afghan soldiers. Such incidents have increased dramatically in the last years especially in the period of National Unity Government; however, the Afghan government has chosen to be silent about such incidents like its silence about such incidents against civilians, which is a prominent factor in the continuation of such attacks. Although the cause of such events is always shown to be "error"; there are assumptions that, given the nature of the incidents, such attacks are designed to create unprecedented pressures in behind-the-scenes deals. Meanwhile, foreign troops were attacked by a suicide bomber this



week in Logar province, where no information about the casualties was released. In addition, four foreigners were injured in a suicide attack in Kabul.

Qased Strategic Research Center as a war casualties' monitoring organization in the country urges the fighting parties in the country to pay serious attention to the civilians' lives and avoid targeting civilians.

**Table 4: Total casualties of war and security incidents**

Name	Killed	Name	Wounded
Afghan Forces	34	Afghan Forces	25
Anti-government Militants	181	Anti-government Militants	52
Civilians	28	Civilians	35
Foreign Forces	-	Foreign Forces	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>116</b>
<b>Total Casualties</b>		<b>359</b>	

The end

