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10 militants killed, 2detained in southern Afghanistan

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Ten anti-government militants were killed and two others made captive in Helmand province, 555 km south of Afghan capital Kabul, on Friday, a press release of the provincial administration issued Saturday said.

"Ten insurgents including two commanders were killed and two others arrested in Sifoon area, Marjah district on Friday as the militants attacked poppy eradication campaign there," the press release added.

According to the press release, the commanders killed in the firefight which lasted for a while include Shir Agha and Arpan, who were involved in anti-government activities and backing poppy cultivation in Helmand province.

Another Taliban commander namely Mullah Salam sustained injuries in the conflict, it further said. The press release, did not say if there were any casualties on the security forces side.

Taliban militants fighting Afghan and NATO-led forces have yet to make comment.

Notorious for insurgency and growing poppy, Helmand has been regarded as the hotbed of Taliban militants in the southern region of Afghanistan.