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## Bomb explosion kills four Afghan civilians in southern Afghanistan

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A powerful roadside bomb explosion has killed at least four Afghan civilians in the troubled southern province of Helmand.

The casualties come after the roadside bomb struck a vehicle carrying civilians in Nozad district of Helmand Province on Wednesday. The vehicle was totally destroyed in the deadly explosion.

*Helmand police spokesman Farid Ahmad Farhang said that the bomb was planted to target the Afghan and US-led foreign forces stationed in the volatile region.*

No group has claimed responsibility for the attacks. However, the Taliban has almost regularly been blamed for such instances of violence.

The Taliban militants mostly use roadside bombs and improvised explosive devices (IEDs) against Afghan forces, foreign troops, and civilians.

Moreover, the loss of civilian lives at the hands of US-led foreign forces has dramatically increased anti-American sentiments in Afghanistan, triggering anti-US protests across the war-torn country.

The US-led war in Afghanistan began in 2001. The offensive removed the Taliban from power, but insecurity continues to rise across the country, despite the presence of thousands of US-led troops.