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Deadly blast leaves 40 killed or injured in western Afghanistan

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According to local authorities in western Nimroz province of Afghanistan, at least 40 people were killed or injured following improvised explosive device (IED) blast in this province.

The officials further added, the incident took place on Sunday night in Herat-Delaram highway, after a civilian bus and a car hit a roadside bomb.

Delaram district chief, Eng. Khudaidad confirming the report said the incident took place in Lakhshak area, leaving at least 15 people dead and 25 others injured.

Eng. Khudaidad further added that a passenger bus collided with a vehicle after strucking with a roadside improvised explosive device (IED).

He said the passengers were on their way from Farah province to southern Kandahar province of Afghanistan, when the incident took place, and women and children were among those killed or injured.

No group including the Taliban militants has so far claimed responsibility behind the incident.

Local officials blame Taliban group for the incident as Taliban fighters frequently use improvised explosive device to target Afghan and coalition security forces which normally leads to civilian casualties.