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Suicide attack leaves tribal elder dead in Paktika

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A local tribal elder was killed following a suicide attack in eastern Paktika province of Afghanistan on Friday, local officials said.

The incident took place on Friday after in Urgun district around 2:00 pm local time.

Provincial governor spokesman, Mukhlis Afghan confirming the report said a suicide bomber targeted an influential tribal elder Gul Babri.

He said the incident took place in a market and at least three civilians were also injured in the attack.

In the meantime, the provincial government media office following a statement said the suicide bomber initially opened fire on tribal elder Gul Babri Zadran and detonated his explosives after he was injured.

Paktia province is among the relatively volatile provinces in eastern Afghanistan where Taliban militants and insurgents from the other militant groups including Haqqani network are active in a number of its districts.