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METHODS REPORT

ANQAR WAVE 37

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Field Dates: June 17-July 1, 2017

Sample Size: 13,366

Number of Interviewers: 979

Field Provider: ACSOR

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I. INTRODUCTION

The Afghanistan Nationwide Quarterly Research (ANQAR) survey was designed to gain a broader understanding of the attitudes, behaviors, and issues that are important to the people of Afghanistan. This report reviews the methodology of the Wave 37 survey conducted in the early summer of 2017.

Fieldwork for Wave 37 was conducted by ACSOR for RS/NATO in Afghanistan from June 17-July 1, 2017. The sample includes a national probability sample of 10,962 Afghans selected at random in all 34 of the country's provinces; and a sample conducted via intercept interviews of 2,404. Respondents were 18 years and older, 65% were male and 35% were female. The survey includes both urban (25%) and rural (75%) households. Unless otherwise noted, all figures in this report represent unweighted results.

Executive Summary

The sampling methodology, questionnaire design, field team, and overall field experience are summarized in this report.

- Fieldwork was conducted from June 17-July 1, 2017. The field team consisted of 979 trained interviews and supervisors under the management of D3 Systems and ACSOR.
- ANQAR Wave 37 includes a total sample of 13,366 men and women 18 years of age and older in all 34 provinces of Afghanistan. 10,962 interviews were conducted via random walk with male and female respondents and 2,404 interviews were conducted via intercept interviews with males in areas where security or weather restricted random selection interviewing. A full list of the locations for the intercept interviews can be found in Appendix A.
- The sample was stratified by province and urban/rural status using population data released by the Central Statistics Office (2016 - 2017 estimates) of Afghanistan. Additional booster sampling points were distributed to smaller provinces to ensure that the minimum sample size per province was at least 110 interviews. Booster sampling points were distributed in Panjshayr, Nuristan and Nimroz.
- Replacement draws within the same district originally selected were provided to the field team prior to the launch of fieldwork. In the case when the replacements were exhausted, settlement/nahia level replacements were done in field by supervisors where neighboring accessible settlements were chosen as replacements whenever possible. A full list of the Wave 37 replacements can be found in Appendix B.
- The sample was 65% male and 35% female. The survey was designed to include 50% male



and 50% female respondents, but due to violence, transportation conditions, and local norms female interviewers could not travel to some selected districts. Sampling points that were planned for interviews with women and could not be covered by female interviewers were replaced with male interviews in the same village.

- The questionnaire consisted of 31 management questions, 18 demographics questions, and 109 substantive questions. Topics included quality of life, security, perceptions of the government, reconciliation, and migration.
- The mean interview length was 32 minutes with a range of 20 to 57 minutes.
- Various quality control procedures were employed throughout the project. During field, interviewers were observed by supervisors. Field supervisors also conducted back-checks of interviews. During the data processing phase, a proprietary program, Hunter, was used to search for patterns or anomalies in the data that may indicate an interview was not properly conducted by an interviewer. For the Wave 37 survey, a total of 418 cases were removed from the dataset; 382 cases were removed for being over 95% similar in substantive responses, 24 cases were removed due to similarities in answers, and 10 cases was removed for having over 50% don't know or refusal responses.
- The data were also screened for keypunching errors. ACSOR randomly selected 10% of the survey's questionnaires for double entry. The double punched questionnaires were compared to the originally punched questionnaires. Discrepancies between the two were rectified and the final data files were based strictly on a review of the original questionnaires. The overall error rate for the Wave 37 survey was .11%. The error rate was very low overall and we have confidence in the fidelity of the keypunched data.
- The Wave 37 survey has a margin of sampling error of ± 0.84 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level. The overall design effect is 2.15. The complex margin of error is ± 1.24%.
- For the overall sample, the response rate is 84.86%, the cooperation rate is 95.22%, the refusal rate is 2.95%, and the contact rate is 89.12%.



Project Schedule

Table 1 lists the schedule of major project milestones.

TABLE 1: PROJECT TIMELINE

Project Phases	Start Date	End Date
Translation	June 05, 2017	June 10, 2017
Central Briefing	June 15, 2017	June 16, 2017
Field	June 17, 2017	July 01, 2017
Quality Control during field- work	June 17, 2017	July 01, 2017
Data Processing	June 24, 2017	July 11, 2017

II. SAMPLE DESIGN

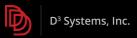
The sample was drawn using a stratified multi-stage cluster design. D3 used the 2016-2017¹ updated figures provided by the Central Statistics Office (CSO) of the Afghan government. D3 chooses to use this because, similar to the 2010- 2011 update, much of the 2016-2017 update is based on data drawn from the Ministry of Rural Reconstruction and Development relying on results from the National Reconstruction Vulnerability Assessment (NRVA) based on a detailed cataloging of households to help inform the updates in a systematic, replicable way. While the proportions by provinces have changed in mostly a uniform, formulaic manner, the additional use of NRVA data adds to the detail of the estimates.

Sampling Methodology

The target population for this survey was a nation-wide poll of Afghans age 18+.

- Step 1: Primary sampling units (PSU) were allocated across all of Afghanistan's 34 provinces
 using proportional stratification. Urban/rural status and province serve as the strata. In field,
 villages were considered rural while towns, cities and metros were considered urban.
 Settlements or neighborhoods within randomly selected districts were chosen by simple random
 sampling.
 - a. Booster interviews (n=88) were added to small provinces to ensure that the minimum sample size per province was at least 110 interviews. Booster interviews were add in Panjshayr (n= 32), Nuristan (n=32) and Nimroz (n=24).
- 2. Step 2: **Districts** were selected via *probability proportional to size* (PPS) *systematic sampling*. Districts serve as the primary sampling unit (PSU).

¹ There is no official census of Afghanistan. The Central Statistics Office (CSO) of the Afghan government has attempted to provide updates since 2003, but their base is influenced by figures from the 1979 census. The CSO has received support from the UN, the Ministry of Rural Reconstruction and Development, and the World Food Programme to issue updates. D3 completed its review of 2015-2016 updates from the CSO and feels they are acceptable as replacements for the 2006 estimates.



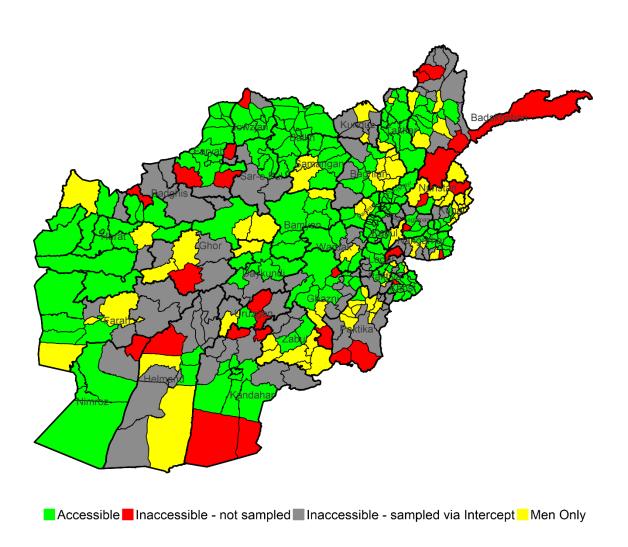
In situations where the selected district was inaccessible due to security, transportation, weather, or other reasons, another district within the province was randomly selected:

a. In situations where the selected district was inaccessible due to security, transportation or weather, intercept interviews were conducted with residents of those districts who were traveling in neighboring districts. Intercept interviews were used in 322 sampling points. These were conducted with male respondents only². A list of the intercept interviews can be found in Appendix A.

² Andar district in Ghazni is a unique PSU, where half of the sample originally allocated was converted to intercept interviews. This was done because only settlements near the city center of Andar were accessible at the time of the survey.

The following figure illustrates the accessibility assessment during the month of August, when field work launched. Red districts were not sampled and are completely inaccessible, yellow are accessible to males only, green are completely accessible (to both male and female interviewers), and gray are intercept interviews which targeted completely inaccessible districts that were visited during Wave 37.

FIGURE 1: AFGHANISTAN ACCESSIBILITY WITH INTERCEPT INTERVIEWS



Of the 424³ potential primary sampling units in the country, 20% were inaccessible to male interviewers, 30% were inaccessible for female interviewers. Overall, 132 completely inaccessible districts were sampled. These were made accessible to male interviewers by intercept interviews. Including design effects, results have a complex margin of sampling error of +/- 1.29 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level for the full sample.

³ There are 408 districts in Afghanistan; however Kabul City is composed of 16 nahias leading to 424 primary sampling units used in the survey's sampling frame.



3. Step 3: Selected PSU that were completely accessible were divided into two sampling points of 8: one female and one male. This was done to allow for gender matched interviewing due to cultural constraints and to also obtain a greater geographical coverage within district, and therefore overall.

The **settlements**, within districts, were selected by simple random sampling for each of the two points. Within urban strata, we used neighborhoods (called "nahias" from cities and metros) and towns while in rural strata we used villages. As population data for settlement sizes does not exist, a simple random selection amongst all known settlements was used to select locations. The settlement/nahia served as the secondary sampling unit (SSU).

- a. Transportation constraints due to bad weather, and instability and frequent fighting in some provinces can cause a sampling point to be adjusted or replaced to keep interviewers out of areas that may be unsafe.
- b. Replicate draws were provided to the field team prior to the launch of fieldwork. In the case when the replacements were exhausted, settlement/nahia level replacements were done in field by supervisors where neighboring accessible settlements were chosen as replacements whenever possible.
- c. At the settlement level, 237 of the 1723 sampling points were randomly replaced within the same districts because of security reasons, 194 for transportation difficulties, 35 because they could not be located, and 11 for other accessibility issues. A complete list of replaced sampling points and reasons for replacements can be found in Appendix B.
- 4. Step 4: Field managers then used maps generated from several sources to select starting points within each SSU.
 - a. In rural areas, we used a system that requires interviewers to start in one of five randomly selected locations (Northern, Southern, Eastern, or Western edges of the rural settlement and Center).

- b. In urban areas, because it is more difficult to differentiate neighborhood borders, a random location (Northern, Southern, Eastern, Western or Center) was provided to the interviewer, and they started from an identifiable landmark in the vicinity (ex: school, Mosque, etc.)
- 5. Step 5 A **random walk method** with a fixed sampling interval was performed from the starting point. For example, selecting every third house on the right in rural areas and every fifth house on the right in urban areas.
- 6. Step 6: After selecting a household, interviewers were instructed to utilize a **Kish grid** for randomizing the target respondent⁴ within the household. Members of the household were listed with their names and their age in descending order and then the respondent was selected according to the rules of the Kish grid.

TABLE 2: PROVINCIAL POPULATION PERCENTAGE, UNWEIGHTED AND WEIGHTED PERCENTAGE

Province	CSO Percentage in Population (Total)	Percentage in Unweighted Sample (Total)	Percentage in Weighted Sample (wgt1) ⁵
Kabul (KAB)	16.1%	16.5%	16.6%
Kapisa (KAP)	1.6%	1.7%	1.6%
Parwan (PAR)	2.5%	2.3%	2.4%
Wardak (WAR)	2.2%	2.2%	2.2%
Logar (LOW)	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%
Ghazni (GHA)	4.5%	4.6%	4.5%
Paktiya (PIA)	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
Paktika (PKA)	1.6%	1.7%	1.6%
Khost (KHO)	2.1%	2.2%	2.1%
Nangarhar (NAN)	5.6%	5.6%	5.6%
Laghman (LAG)	1.6%	1.7%	1.6%
Kunar (KNR)	1.7%	1.7%	1.7%

⁴ Interviewers are not allowed to substitute an alternate member of a household for the respondent selected by the Kish grid. If the respondent refused to participate or was not available after callbacks, then the interviewer must move on to the next household according to the random route.

⁵ 'wgt1' variable in the data set.

Province	CSO Percentage in Population (Total)	Percentage in Unweighted Sample (Total)	Percentage in Weighted Sample (wgt1) ⁵
Nuristan (NUR)	0.5%	.8%	.5%
Badakhshan (BDS)	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%
Takhar (TAK)	3.6%	3.6%	3.6%
Baghlan (BGL)	3.4%	3.3%	3.3%
Kunduz (KDZ)	3.7%	3.6%	3.7%
Balkh (BAL)	4.9%	4.4%	4.9%
Samangan (SAM)	1.4%	1.4%	1.4%
Jawzjan (JOW)	2.0%	1.9%	2.0%
Sar-e- Pul (SAR)	2.1%	1.6%	2.1%
Faryab (FYB)	3.7%	3.7%	3.7%
Badghis (BDG)	1.8%	1.8%	1.8%
Herat (HER)	7.0%	7.0%	7.0%
Farah (FRA)	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%
Nimroz (NIM)	0.6%	.8%	.6%
Helmand (HEL)	3.4%	3.3%	3.4%
Kandahar (KAN)	4.5%	4.7%	4.5%
Zabul (ZAB)	1.1%	1.1%	1.1%
Uruzgan (ORU)	1.4%	1.3%	1.3%
Ghor (GHO)	2.5%	2.6%	2.5%
Bamyan (BAM)	1.7%	1.7%	1.6%
Panjshayr (PAN)	0.6%	.8%	.6%
Daykundi (DAY)	1.6%	1.7%	1.7%
Total	100%	100%	100%



Weighting

The dataset includes two weights.

- 1. "wgt 1" is a post-stratification adjustment performed to match the population's geographic distribution of Afghanistan. The only target used for this post stratification was Province by Urban/Rural status.
- 2. "wgt 2" is the same as wgt 1 except intercept interviews are not included in the calculations. The use of this weight effectively removes intercepts from the sample allowing for analysis of all interviews collected using random probability sampling methods.

Margin of Sampling Error and Design Effect

Given that the methodology for this survey is assumed to be a full probability-based sample, weighted data can be used to estimate variance for each statistic. These, in turn, can be used to estimate a design effect for the survey and then to estimate the complex margin of sampling error. Design effect estimates provided in this section account for both the complex sample design as well as the weights.

- The design was stratified by urbanity and province and then clustered by district and settlement.
- The design effect is estimated for five variables Q1, Q2, Q3, Q6 and Q7. In the following tables, we provide design effect estimates for each response category of the key variable through the *survey* package in R.
- In an effort to provide a survey-wide design effect, a "weighted mean" design effect is calculated as average across each response category of the variable when weighted by frequency of response which is then in turn averaged across all five variables.

TABLE 3: DESIGN EFFECT ESTIMATION USING Q1, Q2, Q3, Q6, Q7

q1: Q181 Generally speaking, do you believe the Government of Afghanistan is going in the right direction, the wrong direction, or is in the same place, not going anywhere?

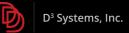
	Frequency	Proportion	Complex SE	Design Effect
Right Direction	3746	28.03%	0.59%	2.32
Wrong Direction	6615	49.49%	0.63%	2.13
Same Place, Not Going Anywhere	2858	21.38%	0.48%	1.83
Refused (vol.)	12	0.09%	0.05%	2.92
Don?t Know (vol.)	134	1.01%	0.11%	1.67
Weighted Mean			0.58%	2.11
Total	13365	100.00%		

q2: Q280 How satisfied or dissatisfied are you with the current quality of your life? Are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	Frequency	Proportion	Complex SE	Design Effect
Not Satisfied At All	1478	11.06%	0.39%	2.01
Somewhat Dissatisfied	3599	26.92%	0.52%	1.84
Somewhat Satisfied	5901	44.15%	0.61%	2.01
Very Satisfied	2356	17.62%	0.52%	2.49
Don't Know (vol.)	33	0.25%	0.05%	1.13
Weighted Mean			0.54%	2.05
Total	13367	100.00%		

q3: Q281 Please tell me, in the future, do you think the conditions of your life will improve, worsen or stay the same?

	Frequency	Proportion	Complex SE	Design Effect
Worsen	4581	34.28%	0.55%	1.80
Stay The Same	3924	29.36%	0.54%	1.88
Improve	4518	33.80%	0.60%	2.15
Refused (vol.)	2	0.02%	0.01%	1.19
Don't Know (vol.)	341	2.55%	0.20%	2.17
Weighted Mean			0.56%	1.95
Total	13366	100.00%		



q6: Q337 How would you describe the economy for you and your community since 5 years ago? Have things gotten better, gotten worse or remained the same?

	Frequency	Proportion	Complex SE	Design Effect
Gotten Better	3285	24.57%	0.58%	2.45
Gotten Worse	6050	45.27%	0.67%	2.45
Remained The Same	4001	29.94%	0.61%	2.40
Refused (vol.)	1	0.01%	0.01%	1.00
Don't Know (vol.)	29	0.22%	0.04%	1.11
Weighted Mean			0.63%	2.43
Total	13366	100.00%		

q7: Q289 Has your family's economic situation gotten better, gotten worse or stayed the same compared to 12 months ago?

	Frequency	Proportion	Complex SE	Design Effect
Gotten Worse	5300	39.65%	0.63%	2.19
Stayed The Same	4894	36.62%	0.61%	2.14
Gotten Better	3120	23.34%	0.55%	2.25
Refused (vol.)	2	0.01%	0.01%	0.97
Don't Know (vol.)	50	0.37%	0.06%	1.46
Weighted Mean			0.60%	2.18
Total	13366	100.00%		

A survey wide design effect and margin of error is calculated as the average design effect across these five variables. The survey wide design effect is 2.15.

Assuming simple random sample with n=13,366, p=.5, at the 95% CI level, a conservative estimate of the margin of error for the survey is 0.85%.

Accounting for the complex design through the design effect estimate of 2.15, p=.5 at the 95% CI level, the complex margin of error (CMOE) is 1.24%.

Design effect estimates were also calculated at the provincial level. Detailed calculations can be located in the document titled *ANQAR W37 CMOE Provincial v1* and a summary of the provincial level design effects and complex margin of error can be found in the document titled *ANQAR W37 DEFF Summary v1*.



III. FIELD IMPLEMENTATION

The following section reviews the contact procedures, the sample disposition and field outcomes.

Contact Procedures

After selecting a household, interviewers were instructed to utilize a Kish grid for randomizing the target respondent within the household. Members of the household were listed with their names and age in descending order. The Kish grid provides a random selection criteria based on which visit the household represents in his or her random walk and the number of inhabitants living in the household.

Under no circumstances were interviewers allowed to substitute an alternate member of a household for the selected respondent. If the respondent refused to participate or was not available after three call-backs, the interviewer then moved on to the next household according to the random walk.

Typically interviewers were required to make two call-backs before replacing the household. These call-backs are made at different times of the same day or on different days of the field period, in order to provide a broader schedule in which to engage the respondent. Due to security-related concerns, the field force has had difficulty meeting the requirement of two call-backs prior to substitution in many rural areas.

In this survey, while interviewers were able to complete some call-backs, the majority of the interviews were completed on the first attempt:

First contact: 98.1%Second contact: 1.5%Third contact: .4%

Sample Disposition

This section describes the sample disposition which is another diagnostic tool to understand the validity of the sample. Final disposition codes, call outcome rates, and response rates contribute to an understanding of the presence of potential survey error.

This section contains:

- A detailed and comprehensive set of survey dispositions recoded into the six major types of American Association of Public Opinion Research (AAPOR) survey case dispositions.
- The formulas for calculating response rates, cooperation rates, and contact rates.
- A report of the final outcome rates for the evaluation of this survey according to the AAPOR Standards for Minimal Disclosure requirements (Part III of the Code of Professional Ethics and Practices).

Rate Calculations

The American Association of Public Opinion Researchers (AAPOR) publishes four different types of rate calculations used in AAPOR reporting (response rates, contact rates, cooperation rates, and refusal rates). D3 and ACSOR use AAPOR's Response Rate 3, Cooperation Rate 1, Refusal Rate 2, and Contact Rate 2 as their standards. Intercept interviews are treated the same as standard interviews for the purposes of calculating response rates.

Acronyms used in the formulas are below:

I = Complete Interview

P = Partial Interview

R = Refusal and break-off

NC = Non-contact

O = Other

UH = Unknown if household/occupied household unit

UO = Unknown, other

e = Estimated proportion of cases of unknown eliqibility that are eliqible

Response Rate 3= _____I

$$(I + P) + (R + NC + O) + e (UH + UO)$$

Cooperation Rate 1= _____I___

$$(I + P) + R$$

$$(I + P) + (R + NC + O) + e (UH + UO)$$

Contact Rate
$$2 = (I + P) + R + O$$

$$(I + P) + R + O + NC + e (UH + UO)$$



Final Disposition Codes

The survey cases are divided into six main types of AAPOR disposition groups: completed interviews, partial interviews, cases of unknown eligibility, non-contacts, refusals, and cases of ineligible interviews. Table 4 provides the final disposition classifications.

TABLE 4: INTERVIEW STATUS: FINAL DISPOSITION CODES AND DEFINITIONS

	AAPOR		
ACSOR Code	Code	Description	Totals
Completed Interview	vs		
1	1.0/1.10	Interview was successfully completed	13784
Partial Interviews			
10	1.200	During interview, selected respondent refused (General)	68
		During interview, selected respondent was not feeling informed	40
11	1.200	to answer the questions	19
		During interview, selected respondent got angry because of a	4
12	1.200	question	4
		During interview, selected respondent preferred head of	14
13	1.200	household be interviewed	14
14	1.200	During interview, selected respondent was in a hurry/no time	20
		Total Partials	125
Unknown Eligibility			
20	3.130	No answer at door	396
21	3.200	No adults (18+) after three visits	396
22	3.200	Unable to access building or house	91
23	3.170	Outright refusal at the door	494
23	J.Z 10	Total Unknown Household	
Non-contacts		Total Olikilowii Housellolu	1377
24	2.210	Selected respondent never available for interview	156
25	2.250	Selected respondent long-term absence for the fieldwork period	248
	2.200	Total Non-contacts	404
Others			101
26	2.300	Selected respondent not allowed to participate in the survey	65
35	2.310	Selected respondent deceased	0
		Selected respondent physically or mentally unable to complete	40
36	2.320	the interview	19

	AAPOR		
ACSOR Code	Code	Description	Totals
		Selected respondent unable to complete interview in languages	4
37	2.332	available	4
90	4.900	Other	88
		Total Others	
Refusals			192
30	2.11	Selected respondent refuses (General)	77
		Selected respondent not feeling informed to answer the	40
31	2.11	questions	13
32	2.11	Selected respondent got angry because of the subject matter	120
		Selected respondent prefers head of household to be	77
33	2.11	interviewed	77
34	2.11	Selected respondent in a hurry/no time	479
		Total Refusals	
Not Eligible			
40	4.700	Does not meet screening criteria/not eligible for interview	155
41	4.500	Non-residential (business)/abandoned home	155
		Total Not Eligible	16412
Total		Total Sampled Households	13784

The response rate is the number of complete interviews divided by the number of interviews plus the number of non-interviews plus all cases of unknown eligibility. The cooperation rate is the proportion of all cases interviewed of all eligible participants ever contacted. The refusal rate is the proportion of all cases in which a participant refuses to do an interview, or breaks-off an interview of all potentially eligible cases. The contact rate measures the proportion of all cases in which the participant responsible and associated with the provided phone number was reached by the survey. Table 5 provides the following outcome rates for the survey: the response rate, cooperation rate, refusal rate, and contact rate.⁶

TABLE 5: FORMULAS AND RATES⁷

Disposition Rate Formulas	Percent
Response Rate 3 (RR): I/((I+P) + (R+NC+O) + e*(UH+UO))	84.86%

⁶ D3 uses the rates published by AAPOR; citation is: The American Association for Public Opinion Research. 2009. *Standard Definitions: Final Dispositions of Case Codes and Outcome Rates for Survey.* 6th edition.

⁷ I = Interviews, E = Eligible (temporary code, not part of final calculation), R = Refusal, NC = Non-Contact, NE = Not Eligible, UH= Unknown Eligibility, O=other

Disposition Rate Formulas	Percent
Cooperation Rate 1 (COOP): I/(I+P)+R+O)	95.22%
Refusal Rate 2 (REF): R/((I+P)+(R+NC+O) + e(UH + UO))	2.95%
Contact Rate 2 (CON): (I+P)+R+O / (I+P)+R+O+NC + e(UH+UO)	89.12%

Field Outcomes

It is protocol for supervisors to note political, social, or other newsworthy events that occurred during the field period that may have affected the survey. The reports from field are listed below by date and location of the event.

Field Report

Field Report

June 17, 2017

FARAH: Police in western Farah provinces have recovered an explosive-laden vehicle and prevented huge devastation and loss of precious lives, an official said on Friday. The vehicle with 1,500 kilograms of explosives was transferred from Bakwa district to Balaboluk and police seized it in Dezyak village. The driver took the advantage of darkness of the night and managed to flee from the area. The explosives were detonated by security forces Thursday night in Bala boluk. Militants have not commented about the incident.

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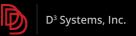
FARYAB: A 35-year-old woman committed suicide by poisoning herself in Maimana city, the capital of northwestern Faryab province on Saturday, an official said. Provincial police spokesman, Abdul Karim Yurish, told Pajhwok Afghan News the woman named, Abida, the mother of seven children killed herself due to domestic violence in Karta-I-Genral Dostum area of Maimana city this morning. Abdul Karim Yurish said the husband of the woman was spending his jail term for a criminal case. Investigation about the real motive behind the suicide is underway, he added Provincial public health's in charge for forensic, Dr. Samir Enayat, said Abdia committed suicide by drinking bleach. Sayed Hafizullah Fitrat, head of the provincial Independent Human Rights Commission, said four suicide and 12 honor related cases have been registered in Faryab in the past six months. He linked such incidents to poverty, joblessness, lack of awareness from religion, forced marriages, honor marriages and insecurity.

June 17, 2017

FARYAB: Five policemen, 10 militant and a woman have been killed as a result of clashes in different districts of northwestern Faryab province, an official said on Saturday. Police spokesman, Abdul Karim Yourish, said the Taliban stormed security forces check–posts in Sherin Tagab, Qaisar and Ghormach districts late on Friday. He said woman, policeman were killed and five others wounded including civilians when the Taliban attacked security forces check–posts and a civilian vehicle in Sherin Tagab district. Also 15 militants suffered casualties during the ANA airstrike after the Taliban attack. Separately, four security personnel, nine Taliban were killed and 22 others, including eight policemen, were wounded during clash in Boryaraklak area of Qaisar district. He said the clash continued for four hours until reinforcement reached to the site of clash and recaptured the check–posts and pushed the militants back. Mohammd Alam, a wounded commander of police said the clash erupted at 11pm last night and continued until morning. Over 100 militants took part in the fire fight. Separately, a notorious commander Qari Sayeduddin was killed and four others wounded as a result of firefight with security forces in Abgarmak area of Ghormach district late on Friday night, said Yourish.

June 17, 2017

KHOST: Residents are concerned about increasing armed robberies, target killing and kidnap incidents in the capital and far-flung areas of southeastern Khost province. Cases of carjacking, kidnapping, killing of people by armed robbers and targeted attacks have lately been on the rise, according to residents, who seek strong action to control the situation. Mohammad Nazir, an inhabitant of the provincial capital, told Pajhwok Afghan News they were worried about the rising crime graph. Such cases had affected routine life and business activity in the province, he complained. "A man spends a lifetime in Dubai earning money, but robbers suddenly turn their guns at him and shoot him to death to snatch his car or cash. The government should resolve this issue," he stressed. Mohammad Gul, another resident of the province, said they had heard some security officers, particularly \police personnel, had connections with armed robbers. "Increasing robberies, kidnappings and killings are badly affecting the government and the people. We want the government to rein in illegal gunmen," he said. Meanwhile, a number of provincial council members alleged that corruption in the appointment of security personnel had paved the ground for the appearance of illegal armed individuals. Qamar Ali Lakanwal, a provincial council member, asked the government to take decisive steps for the protection of people's lives and properties. "Problems exist in the appointment of security personnel. Certain circles are interfering in the appointment of security forces. The police headquarters should deal with the issue," he remarked. But the Khost police chief, Brig. Gen. Faizullah Ghairat, rejected the claims of increased armed robberies and target killings. He insisted police had curbed such incidents both in the capital and rural areas. Meanwhile, the governor's spokesman, Mubarez Zadran, confirmed a spike in such incidents. He said the governor's house was jointly working on a plan with security organs to



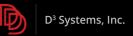
crack down on illegal gunmen. Zadran claimed a number of people involved in armed robberies and murder had been arrested in recent months.

June 17, 2017

KUNDUZ: Most residents of northern Kunduz province, concerned over a surge in crimes, have asked police and other institutions to improve the security situation. Rabbani Rabbani, a provincial council member, said seven incidents of target killing had happened in Kunduz City in the past one week. He added the situation was terrible, giving residents cause for concern. He said the presence of armed groups, surge in crimes and targeted killing had made the residents worried. Jannat Gul, the resident of Kunduz City, expressed concern over the fresh incidents of violence in the central area of the city and accused security officials for their failure. He said: "Mysterious murder cases have taken place in the city in the past one week but the perpetrators could not be unearthed. We want the government to take steps for the security of citizens. If it cannot, then people could secure themselves."Police chief Brig. Gen. Abdul Hameed Hameed claimed effective measures had been put in place for the safety of citizens. Progress had been made in the investigation of recent incidents of murder, he said. "Crimes occur where people live and we don't deny that. Police are doing all they can to control the situation. Individuals behind recent incidents of murder have been identified and would be captured soon," he promised.

June 17, 2017

TAKHAR: Friday's fire has gutted hundreds of carpentry shops in the capital of northeastern Takhar province, inflicting tens of millions of Afghanis loss on shop owners, an official said on Saturday. The yesterday's blaze in a carpentry marketplace gutted 700 shops, a shopkeeper in the area, Rahmatullah, told Pajhwok Afghan News. He said the flames were so powerful that they burnt three carpentry markets within 10 minutes and speedily spread towards other shops. He said all the yards were burnt in one and a half hours. "My eight carpentry shops were reduced to ashes and I suffered 20 million Afghanis loss."He accused fire brigade personnel of carelessness in extinguishing the fire, saying if they had arrived in–time, the big financial losses to people could have been avoided. Another carpenter Sharafuddin said the firefighters came late and lacked enough water as well. Meanwhile, Taloqan timber merchants union head Habibullah said the fire erupted at about 1:30pm on Friday, inflicting heavy financial losses on people. He asked the government to provide assistance to the victims. a Afghanistan Breshna Shirkat (DABS) official Eng. Habibullah, who is also member of a committee assigned to assess the losses caused by the fire, said the blaze reached the carpentry markets from a public bathroom. Provincial deputy police chief, Col. Sayed Jahangir, said the fire spread very fast in carpentry compounds and fire brigade personnel were unable to put out the fire until calling in help



from neighboring Kunduz province. Provincial disasters management director Abdul Raziq Zanda confirmed the burning of 700 shops, 12 carpentry yards and millions of in losses to people. He said a committee had been tasked to assess the losses and the findings would be later shared with the media.

June 17, 2017

BALKH: In what appeared to be another insider attack, seven NATO soldiers were wounded on Saturday by an Afghan colleague in northern Balkh province. The incident took place inside the Afghan National Army's 209th Shaheen Military Corps garrison, said Qahar Aram, a spokesman for the corps. He said an Afghan commando opened fire at the NATO forces, resulting in casualties. However, he did not say how many foreign troops were killed or wounded. Meanwhile, NATO said seven US service members were wounded and evacuated for treatment after the attack at Camp Shaheen in Mazar-i-Sharif. "The attack is under investigation," the alliance said a statement. German and American troops are stationed in the province. The latest green-on-blue attack comes a few days after two American soldiers were killed by an Afghan soldier in eastern Nangarhar province. Abdul Qahar Araam, spokesman for the Afghan army's 209th Corps, announced earlier that an Afghan soldier had shot and killed four US soldiers inside the base. Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid said foreign "invaders" were attacked by an Afghan commando loyal to the militant group, killing four and wounding four others. The same base was the scene of a massive Taliban attack in April, in which scores of Afghan soldiers were killed.

June 17, 2017

PAKTIKA: At least 18 Taliban insurgents were killed after they stormed police posts overnight in Urgun district of southeastern Paktika province, officials said on Saturday. Acting provincial police chief, Col. Dadullah Khan Hotak, told Pajhwok Afghan News that the insurgents staged coordinated attacks on police check posts at around 1 am last night in Pirkoti area. He said police put up stiff resistance killing at least 18 insurgents and wounding three others. Hotak said police escaped unhurt in the attack. Hotak said currently gun shots were sporadically traded as the insurgents were trying to take the bodies of their dead comrades with them. Urgun police chief Haji Rahim, also denied any casualties to police. A resident of Pirkoti area, Bakht Jan, said the Taliban conducted severe attacks on police check points before dawn and the clash lasted till the morning. He said police also suffered casualties in the gun battle; however, he had no figure. He said the rebels took control of the Pirkoti area after security reinforcements couldn't' reach. There has been so far no word from insurgents in this regard.

June 18, 2017

PAKTIA: Five police personnel were killed and 29 others, including civilian, wounded as a result of a car bombing in southeastern Paktia province on Sunday morning, officials said. Sardar Wali Tabassum, provincial police chief, told Pajhwok Afghan News the explosion took place at around 7am in front of a security centre. He said after the huge blast, a clash erupted between security forces and militants. Five policemen were killed and nine others wounded in the bombing, 303rd Spinzar Zone Commander Maj. Gen. Assadullah Sherzad told to Pajhwok. "There are shops in the crowded place where the explosion took place. About 15 civilians were also wounded," he said. Police headquarters, Special Police Unit, Public Order Police and 303rd Spinzar Zone offices are located in the building, the apparent target of the attack. An eyewitness, Mohammad Aslam, said the explosives had been placed in a Mazda vehicle that went off in front of the sprawling security centre. Windowpanes in nearby houses and shops were shattered, he added. A local official, meanwhile, said 20 injured civilians had been evacuated to hospital so far. Zabihullah Mujahid, Taliban's spokesman, claimed responsibility for the attack. He said the movement's fighters carried out the car bombing before entered the security base. A clash was still underway, he said.

June 18, 2017

FARYAB: A resident of Sherin Tagab district, negotiating the release of captive with the Taliban, has been shot dead in northwestern Faryab province, local officials said on Sunday. Syd Sharif, acting district chief, said the Taliban seized Haji Noor Mohammad, a representative of martyrs and disabled people, on the Gorzad road on Saturday afternoon. He said four elders met local Taliban leaders on Saturday evening in a bid to secure the release of the captive. But one of the elders, Haji Murad's, was found dead in Tash Qala area this morning. Haji Murad, a driver, had no links to the government. Najibullah, an inhabitant of the locality, said Murad had been killed mysteriously. A local Taliban commander confirmed the arrest of Haji Noor Mohammad, but, rejected the killing of the elder and said he might have been shot dead by someone else.

June 18, 2017

PAKTIKA: Six Haqqani Network members, including two key figures, were killed during an airstrike in southeastern Paktika province on Sunday, the Ministry of Interior (MoI) said. Commanders Abdul Aziz and Ghalchakai were killed along with four other militants of the Haqqani network during the airstrike in Orgun district at around 5am, a statement from MoI said. The two commanders were involved in different terrorist attacks across the province, the statement said. But the network has not yet commented on the MoI claim.

KUNDUZ: The father of a 7-year-old girl, who was killed after being sexually assaulted in the Khanabad district of northeastern Kunduz province, has sought justice from the government, an official said on Sunday. Police chief Brig. Gen. Abdul Hameed said the 7-year-old girl sold milk in the district bazaar where she was kidnapped 10 days ago. Her dead body was found two days back in a stream. He said police delivered the body to the forensic personnel and the findings showed the girl was sexually abused before being strangled to death. He added three suspects — including a man and his son — have been arrested in connection with the incident. The detainees have confessed to their crime. The victim's father said: "My child was abducted on Jun 7 and last Friday night I saw a dream, in which my daughter told me she has been abused and killed. She said her body was put in a sack and thrown into a nearby stream. "When I went to the stream, I found her dead in the bag," the man said, adding he had informed police about the incident and three individuals had been detained as a result of investigations. He asked the government to punish the perpetrators. One of the suspects said: "We were sitting in our house when the milk-selling girl knocked at the door, asking us to buy milk. We called the girl in and abused her and then we strangled her to death."

June 18, 2017

KHOST: At least three policemen have been killed and two other injured in a bomb explosion in Zazai Maidan district of southeastern Khost province, an official said Sunday. Gen. Raz Mohammad, commander for border police of southeastern zone, told Pajhwok Afghan that a police ranger pick-up was hit by a bomb in Chato Ghra area of the district late on Saturday. "The police pick-up was struck by the bomb when it was returning from the district bazaar to its own area," he said, adding three policemen were killed and two others wounded in the incident. Taliban did not comment about the incident so far. Zazai Maidan is one of the border districts of Khost province that shares border with neighbor Pakistan. According to another report, one person was killed and three others wounded during a clash between Taliban and Afghan forces in Bala Bolok district of western Farah province. Provincial police spokesman, Iqbal Baher, told Pajhwok that a convoy of police forces came under attack by Taliban in Shiwan village of Bala Bolok district this morning. He said one Taliban fighter was killed and two other wounded in Afghan forces retaliatory firing. A policeman was also injured in the clash, he said.

June 18, 2017

KABUL: Unknown gunmen on Sunday kidnapped a foreign advisor to the Ministry of Agriculture, Irrigation and Livestock (MAIL), a security official said. The well-placed security source, who wished anonymity, told Pajhwok Afghan News the Kenyan national was kidnapped at around 7:40am after he left home in Kart-i-Char neighborhood of Kabul for office. He said the kidnappers were in a black



Chevrolet model pick-up the number plate of which belonged to the **Wolesi Jirga**. He said the Kenyan performed duty as financial advisor at the MAIL. He said so far the kidnappers hadn't been identified and their motive was also not known; but investigations into the incident were underway.

June 19, 2017

NANGARHAR: Residents of eastern Nangarhar province complain of increasing movements of unauthorized gunmen, alleging the government has failed to control the situation. The illegal gunmen are said to be loyal to local strongmen, former warlords and Wolesi Jirga members. The growing presence of the gun-wielding individuals is widely seen as a threat to security. Khair Mohammad, a resident of Jalalabad, says no one bothered checking groups of armed men moving up and down the city."What type of government is this? Security personnel in the city must keep an eye on every armed man to know who he is. There are many armed groups that could not be told apart from rebels," he adds. Mirwais Rahmani, another inhabitant of the provincial capital and a civil society activist, expressed concern over the movement of unauthorized armed men in the city. He claimed the government never went after them. "The presence of these armed men is contributing to insecurity in the province. We want the government to curb the movement of gunmen, a move that will help maintain law and order," he believed. Another civil society activist, Noor Agha, opined human trafficking, murder, burglaries and other grave offences happened due to the presence or armed groups. "Unfortunately, the provincial administration hasn't taken stringent steps against illegal armed men. We heard of police arresting these people," he remarked. Agha charged police with having developed an understanding with the gunmen. These individuals travelling in unregistered vehicle were never held accountable, he continued. The provincial government says in line with the decision of the military council, carrying unlicensed arms is not allowed inside the city. The individuals with such arms will not be allowed to enter Jalalabad. Governor Mohammad Gulab Mangal acknowledged public concerns at the display of arms, saying efforts had been intensified to control the movement of illegal gunmen. He said police were not allowed to bring heavy weapons to Jalalabad from their duty stations.

June 19, 2017

NANGARHAR: Security forces reclaimed the Tora Bora cave complex in the Pachiragam district of eastern Nangarhar province from the Islamic State (IS), an official said on Monday. Attaullah Khogyani, the governor's spokesman told Pajhwok Afghan News the security forces reached the mountain peaks and recaptured the area from Daesh. The forces were advancing on Alefkhel and Markhanikhel villages. Brig. Gen. Mohammad Naseem Sangin, commander of the Selab Military Corps' 4th unit, said the security forces were in high morale and Daesh militants had lost the courage. Malak Tor, a tribal elder, confirmed the security forces had reached the Tora Bora valley and cleared majority of the area of



insurgents. Some families had returned to their homes while security forces barred other displaced houselds from coming back because a clearing operation was under way, he explained. A few days back, Daesh captured the strategic area from the Taliban. Huge caves and tunnel exist in the area a redoubt of Al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden at one point in the war.

June 19, 2017

TAKHAR: A battle for the recapture of six check-posts in the Khwaja Ghar district of northern Takhar province has been launched while security forces are on the defensive in Khwaja Bahauddin town, an official said on Monday. Maj. Abdul Khalil Aseer, the provincial police chief, confirmed to Pajhwok Afghan News the Taliban had captured eight villages and six check-posts on Sunday night in Khawaja Ghar. Three policemen were killed and as many wounded during the overnight firefight. "From the Dasht-i-Archi district of Kunduz, the rebels launched attacks on Pul-i-Momin, Gor Tepa and other areas," he said. The Taliban captured some areas in Khwaja Bahauddin and blocked the Bahauddin-Durqad road. He acknowledged three security personnel had been killed and as many injured in Khwaja Bahauddin. Naseem Khan, a resident of the area, said the Taliban had captured four check-posts from the security forces. The rebels also confirmed fighting in Khwaja Ghar, and did not comment on situation in Khwaja Bahauddin. The group's spokesman, Zabihullah Mujahid, claimed six local policemen were killed and four others injured while 12 check-posts were captured by the fighters in Khwaja Ghar.

June 19, 2017

NIMROZ: The administrative chief for the Chakhansur district of southwestern Nimroz province was shot dead by unidentified gunmen on Monday, an official said. Deputy provincial police chief, Col. Ahmad Khan, told Pajhwok Afghan News Mohammad Fazli was gunned down in Zaranj, the provincial capital, this morning. "Fazli came under attack from two motorcyclists when he was heading from Zaranj to his office in Chakhansur district," the police officer said. Khan suspected Taliban were behind the attack, saying a police team had reached the site for an investigation into the incident. No group has so far claimed responsibility.

June 19, 2017

NANGARHAR: At least five people have been killed and five others arrested during an overnight operation by Afghan Special Forces in eastern Nangarhar province, an official said on Monday.Local authorities said **Taliban** militants were the target of the raid in Ghanikhel district, but area people claimed all the dead were ordinary poultry farm workers. Attaullah Khogyani, the governor's

spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News the 02 Airfield Afghan Special Forces conducted the midnight operation in Siah Chob area. The Special Forces exchanged gunfire with the men inside the targeted house. Five people were killed and five others were captured as a result of the operation, he added. Identities of those killed and arrested are being investigated. On the other hand, local residents said all the people killed in the raid were civilians. But there is still no information about those taken away by the Special Forces. One resident the dead were all civilians — workers of a poultry farm. "Five people were killed on the farm, one of them a resident of the Mamand area of Achin district. He was a poor man working here. The remaining four men belonged to the area," he said. Meanwhile, Taliban denied their members were killed in the incident. The group's spokesman, Zabihullah Mujahid, said the people killed did not belong to the rebel movement. About a week ago, three civilians — a man and his two sons — were killed by US troops in the same district. American forces opened fire on them after their vehicle hit a roadside bomb in the area.

June 20, 2017

PARWAN: Eight security guards of a foreign company have been killed and two others wounded in militants attack in the Bagram district of central Parwan province, officials said on Tuesday. Col. Alowzai Ahmadi, security forces coordination department in charge, told Pajhwok Afghan News the vehicle carrying the guards was attacked by rebels in Shakah locality at 10:00pm on Monday night. Shams al-Haq Sheikhani, the provincial council secretary, confirmed the incident and said victims were the residents of Sufi Baba locality who were on their way to home when attacked. He said the individuals served as security guards for a foreign company (Red) at Bagram airport. Abdul Qasem Sangin, civil hospital director, said eight dead bodies and two injured had been brought to the hospital. The injured people were said to be in stable condition. There has been no claim of responsibility for the incident so far.

June 20, 2017

KABUL: Two demonstrators were killed, four wounded and 11 others detained as security forces removed protest tents from roads in Kabul, protestors claimed on Tuesday. On May 31, around 150 people were killed and more than 350 others wounded in a truck suicide bombing in the Wazir Akbar Khan diplomatic quarter of the capital. Two days later, hundreds of people took to the streets in the capital, demanding investigations into the security breach, days ahead of an international conference in Kabul. The demonstration turned violent and seven protestors were killed and 10 others were wounded in clashes with police guarding the Presidential Palace. Twenty–five policemen were also wounded. For three weeks, eight protest camps existed in different parts of the city, creating problems for the public. The protestors' demands include an investigation into the recent terror attacks, resignation of



government leaders and security chiefs and prosecution of those who fired on protestors. Ainuddin Baig, one of the protestors, told Pajhwok Afghan News the security forces attacked their camps and started removing the tents before dawn, without any notice. He said the security forces included Presidential Palace guards, special unit, and garrison and police personnel. "They attacked the tents with machine guns, weapons and water cannons."Baig added the protestors tried to prevent the removal of tents with bare hands and wood sticks, but the security forces fired on them, killing two demonstrators and injuring four others. He said the protestors dispersed after the attack and 11 others were arrested by security forces. "Our protest was fair as we sought justice and an end to the killing of innocent people."Unfortunately, the government silenced our voice," Baig alleged, seeking the immediate replacement of security bosses. "We would continue our protest until our demands are met"Pajhwok tried to contact the Ministry of Interior and 101st Asmayee Police Zone for comments on the incident, but failed. However, an officer of the 119 police hotline confirmed injuries and arrest of a number of protestors. But he was unaware of the killings. Different military units participated in the operation, he concluded.

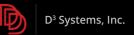
June 20, 2017

NANGARHAR: An appellant court judge was killed and two of his brothers were wounded in a bomb attack in the capital of eastern Nangarhar province on Tuesday, an official said. Attaullah Khogyani, the governor's spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News the explosion happened at around 9:00am in Shisham Bagh area of Jalalabad. He said the blast was triggered by a sticky bomb attack to the car of the judge. Sher Rahman, the judge, was killed and two of his brothers as well as a civilian were wounded. Inamullah Miakhel, spokesman for a local hospital, confirmed receiving two injured people. He said both were in stable condition. An eyewitness, Waseemullah, said the vehicle was destroyed and he saw four casualties at the explosion site. There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the blast.

June 20, 2017

PARWAN: A would-be suicide attacker was detained by security forces in the Bagram district of central Parwan province on Tuesday, an official said. Col. Abdul Samad Zalmay, crime branch chief, said the suspected individual was arrested near Bagram airport in the morning. The detainee planned to conduct suicide attack on foreign forces, he claimed. Two suicide vests and two grenades were seized from the detainee, a 16 year-old resident of Laghman province, the official said.

June 20, 2017



JAWZJAN: Taliban militants captured the Darzab district centre in northern Jawzjan province on Tuesday afternoon a day after Daesh affiliates attacked the town, an official said. Daesh militants attacked the district centre on Monday afternoon and the firefight lasted until 2:30pm today, Darzab district acting chief, Baz Mohammad, told Pajhwok Afghan News. He said the Taliban, while availing the opportunity, also attacked the district centre and took control of it at around 3pm on Tuesday. The official said the Taliban were currently in control of the district center's building, police headquarters, and many other areas west of the district centre. Baz Mohammad said only three governmental security posts were resisting the Taliban on the western outskirts of the district center and Daesh militants were now in control of an area named Awlad south of the district centre. The district chief said if security reinforcements didn't arrive immediately, the remaining three check posts would also fall into the hands of Taliban. However, Jawzjan police chief Brig. Gen. Rahmatullah Turkistani said a heavy clash was ongoing between insurgents and governmental forces in the district centre as of 4pm Tuesday and Daesh fighters had captured only two security posts. He said Afghan air forces were targeting positions of the insurgents. However, an area resident, Zabihullah, alleged the district was left to the Taliban under a 'deal'. He said Taliban and Daesh could clash again and civilians might suffer casualties and financial losses.

June 20, 2017

HERAT: Son of a former provincial council member allegedly killed three border policemen and wounded two others in western Herat province, an official said on Tuesday. Jilani Farhad, the governor's spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News the killer was son of Mohammad Anwar Askari, a former Herat provincial council member. He said the attacker was accompanied by Taliban insurgents. He said the incident took place at Dehna check post in Zolfiqar area of Gulran district on Monday night. "Three policemen were killed and two others wounded as a result of the clash." Zabihullah Mujahid, Taliban's spokesman, said their fighters were also involved in the incident, adding two insurgents also suffered injuries during the firefight. Mohammad Askar Anwari is currently in jail and has been twice sentenced to death on kidnapping charges.

June 20, 2017

HELMAND: A roadside bombing killed six highway policemen, including a commander, in southern Helmand province on Tuesday, an official said. The governor's spokesman, Omar Zwak, told Pajhwok Afghan News the bomb exploded on the Kandahar highway in Nehr Siraj area of Greshk district at around 1:30pm.He said the highway commander in Greshk, Juma Khan Dostyar, was on a patrol along with his team when the bomb ripped through their vehicle, killing Dostyar and four other policemen.



Another two policemen were wounded. But a security source in the province said six policemen had been killed in the blast. There has been so far no word from insurgents in this regard.

June 20, 2017

SAR-I-PUL: Opium weighing 343 kilograms has been seized by police after half an hour clash with smugglers in northern Sar-i-Pul province, an official said on Tuesday. Brig. Gen. Khalilullah Dastyar, deputy provincial police chief, said the drugs were captured by Sar-i-Pul 2nd Highway police in Angot area of Sar-i-Pul city, the provincial capital, on Monday night. He said the smugglers had been able to escape taking advantage of the darkness at night. Zakirullah Khan, the 2nd Sar-i-Pul-Sanchakr Highway commander, said security forces had taken positions to ambush Taliban insurgents when the smugglers fell prey to them. He said the drugs belonged to insurgents who wanted to transfer the narcotics from Shiram area to Ikgazag area of the provincial capital. Earlier, police had claimed confiscating 50kgs of drugs this year.

June 20, 2017

KABUL: Another Indian national has been reportedly killed in Afghanistan after he allegedly joined the Islamic State or Daesh group. A media report on Tuesday said the man from Kerala, who was suspected to have joined the terror, had reportedly been killed in Afghanistan. A photograph of the body of Shajeer M Abdulla was received on WhatsApp by BC Abdul Rehman, a social activist in Kasaragod district, on Monday. Rehman was forwarded the picture along with a message by another man from Kasaragod, who too was believed to have joined the IS."I do not know any other details of Shajeer M Abdulla, who is said to have been killed," he said. But the exact date or cause of the death was not mentioned in the message, he said. Police in Kozhikode said they had not received any official information about the development. "Shajeer hails from Moozhikkal under Chevayur police station limit in Kozhikode. He completed his engineering studies and went to the Middle East for a job. This is the information we have. Nothing more," a police officer said. The probe on all matters connected with these issues is being handled by the National Investigating Agency (NIA), the officer, who did not wish to be named, said.NIA has been probing cases of the missing of at least 21 men who had left the state under mysterious circumstances over a period of time and are suspected to have joined the IS. Among them, 17 were from Kasaragod and four from Palakkad. They include four women and three children.

June 22, 2017

LOGAR: Unidentified gunmen gunned down former Hizb-e-Islami Afghanistan(HIA) commander and another civilian in a mosque in central Logar province, an official said on Thursday. The incident took

place at around 10:00pm late on Wednesday night in Mohammad Agha district. District Administrative Chief, Naseer Afghan Ameen, told Pajhowk Afghan News two motorcyclists who covered faces with mask opened fires at people in the mosque during the Taraveh prayer in Sarkhabad area. He said two people were killed and two others wounded. Sher Agha Kochai former HIA commander was among the dead. An investigation had been launched by police, he added. An eyewitness, Ahmadullah, said they were offering the Taraveh prayer when all of the sudden firing started. He said two people were killed and three others wounded.

June 22, 2017

HELMAND: A powerful car bomb explosion killed 30 people and injured 60 others in front of a bank in the capital of southern Helmand province on Thursday. A corolla model car was used in the blast that took place in front of a Kabul Bank branch in Lashkargah, the provincial capital, at about 11am, when a large number of civilians and military officials were withdrawing their salaries, said Omar Zwak, the provincial governor's spokesman. He said 30 people had been killed and 60 others wounded in the blast. Without going into details, he said, the dead and wounded included civilians, military and police officials. Zwak said media official of the fourth border police brigade, Azhar Khan, was among the dead. Eyewitness Gul Ahmad Tanha, who was inside the bank when the blast took place outside, told Pajhwok Afghan News that it was a powerful blast. He saw dead and injured people outside the bank. The Taliban have claimed responsibility for the blast, with the group's spokesman, Qari Yousaf Ahmadi, claiming dozens of security men were killed and wounded and their ranger vehicles were destroyed. President Ashraf Ghani strongly condemned the attack in a statement issued by the Presidential Palace. The president said the perpetrators of the attack once again showed they had nothing to do with religion and humanity. He said the attack was carried out in the holy month of Ramadan that called for forgiveness and peace and the motive was to make the countrymen mourn ahead of Eidul Fitr. The president directed the provincial officials to ensure the injured were provided every possible facility.

June 22, 2017

KABUL: Police had no weapons while removing protest tents in the capital Kabul, where at least one protestor killed, the Ministry of Interior (MoI) said on Thursday. A number of people erected several protest tents in the capital following a deadly attack on May 31 and the killing of a number of protestors in clashes with police on June 2. Eight of the tents were removed by protestors themselves a few days ago. One camp in the upscale neighborhood of Sherpur was forcibly cleared by police on Wednesday night. The demonstrators claimed two of their members were killed and four others wounded in Afghan forces; firing on Wednesday night. However, MoI spokesman Najib Dansih told



reporters one protestor was killed 500 meters from the tent while police present in the area did not carry weapons. He said police carried sticks and shields while removing the protest tents. A joint delegation of MoI, NDS and the attorney general office has been tasked with investigating the killing.

June 22, 2017

JAWZJAN: A Taliban-designated district chief for Darzab district was gunned down along with five of his friends by his own bodyguard in northern Jawzjan province on Thursday, an official said. Jawzjan deputy police chief Col. Abdul Hafiz Khashi told Pajhwok Afghan News that Qari Aman aka Shamsullah was a notorious Taliban commander and shadow district chief for Darzab. "Qari Aman was killed by his bodyguard in Qazal Qushlaq village today morning, five of his friends were also killed in the incident," he said. He said it was unclear why the bodyguard killed Aman. A resident of the area, Abdul Jalil, said Aman was killed days after a Daesh militant belonging to Commander Qari Hekmat joined him. "The Daesh fighter who joined Aman was a relative of the Taliban commander. Aman later appointed him as his bodyguard, but he killed the commander while heading to Tapa-i-Bala area to meet his colleagues," he said. He said one of Qari Aman's injured body shared the story of the incident with other Taliban fighters. A Taliban spokesman, Zabihullah Mujahid, said he was unaware about the incident and they had no district chief known as Qari Aman. He said the incident would be investigated and information would be shared with the media.

June 23, 2017

FARAH: Half a dozen Taliban militants were killed during an overnight clash with security forces in western Farah province, police said on Friday. Another nine rebels were wounded in the clash that took place in Sheran village of Pushtrud district last night, Farah police spokesman Iqbal Bahar told Pajhwok Afghan News. He said the clash erupted after the insurgents stormed security posts in the village. There been no word from the insurgents about the last night clash.

June 24, 2017

URUZGAN: Five Taliban have been killed and five others wounded during the security forces raid in Tarinkot, the capital of central Uruzgan province, an official said on Saturday. Commander Lt. Zainullah told Pajhwok Afghan News the raid took place Friday night on rebels' hideout on the outskirts of Tarinkot. He said five militants were killed and five others wounded during the raid that last for few hours. The Taliban commander, in-charges of planning attacks on security checkpoints, was among the dead, said Zainullah. Security personnel and civilians suffered no casualties in the overnight raid. Taliban have not yet commented on the incident.

June 25, 2017

KHOST: Three Special Provincial Forces have been killed and as many wounded when their comrade opened firing at them in southeastern Khost province, an official said on Sunday. Police Chief Brg. Gen. Faizullah Ghairat told Pajhwok Afghan News the incident happened in the check-post of Special Forces on Saturday evening. He said one Special Force personnel who developed some psychological problem opened fire on other comrades killing one and injuring many. The incident happened just before the fast-breaking time (Iftar).But a security official, who wished not to be named, said three security personnel have been killed and as many injured in the incident. Ghairat said the attacker had been arrested and was being interrogated. There was no claim of responsibility for the attack.

June 25, 2017

NANGARHAR: A would-be suicide bomber was shot dead before detonating the explosive jacket in the Ghanikhelo district of eastern Nangarhar province on Sunday, an official said. Governor spokesman Attaullah Khogyani told Pajhwok Afghan News the incident happened on the first day of Eid-ul-Fitr before noon in the 25th Wayali area. He said the suicide bomber wanted to strike security forces but was gunned down before reaching the target and blowing himself.

June 25, 2017

URUZGAN: Five people, including women and children have been wounded in central Uruzgan province as a result of celebratory gun firing on the occasion of Eid-ul-Fitr, health officials said on Sunday. Security officials have not spoken in this regard but Dr. Ziaurrahman, a doctor at civil hospital, said five injured people were evacuated to the hospital on Saturday night. He said two women and three children suffered injuries in the celebratory gunfire. Last night similar gun fires were heard in capital Kabul and other provinces of the country.

June 25, 2017

KABUL: Twenty-one militants have been killed, two injured and one arrested in the past 24 hours, the Ministry of Defence (MoD) said on Sunday. The insurgents have been killed during security forces operations in Nangarhar, Kapesa, Parwan, Paktia, Khost, Ghazni, Uruzgan, Kunduz, Faryab, Takhar, Helmand and Laghman provinces. Security forces had air and artillery support during the offensive. Dozens of different kinds of weapons, military vehicles and equipment were seized by security forces during the offensive.

June 25, 2017

FARYAB: A 22-year-old girls was mysteriously killed on Sunday in Maimana, the capital of northwestern Faryab province, an official said. Police spokesman Abdul Karim Yoresh confirmed the incident and said investigative team of the crime branch department had been dispatched to the area to find out the nature and cause of the killing. Habibullah Arbab, commander of the local uprising group in Charmagar, said Hameeda, 22, was killed by Abdul Shakoor who also killed Hameeda's mother two months earlier. The slain Hameeda then told Pajhwok Afghan News her father was behind the killing of her mother because after her father's second marriage their relation deteriorated.

June 26, 2017

GHAZNI: Residents of southern Ghazni province have accused the authorities concerned of paying little attention to controlling growing kidnap incidents. Police, however, rubbished the claims and insisted an operation against kidnappers was underway in the province. They claimed having arrested several suspects in a string raids Izzatullah, an inhabitant of the provincial capital, said kidnappings for ransom were on the raise. "They abduct people and demand ransom. If the demand is not met, they kill the captive."He added the body of a kidnap victim was recently found the under the Jangal Bagh bridge. The man had been kidnapped and his captors had sought ransom from his family. But they were unable to pay ransom. Mohammad Anwar, hailing from Qarabagh district, said three people had been kidnapped in the past two month in his area. "Police managed to set free one a few days back. But the release of a captive is not enough. Police should take strong action against the kidnapping mafia and punish the gangsters," he stressed. Anwar said due to fear of being kidnapped, well-off individuals of the district had decided to live in places where they felt secure. Abdul Rahman, a businessman, said entrepreneurs were unwilling to make investment in the province due to fear of kidnapping. "If you invest here, both your money and family will be in danger," he remarked, demanding deterrent action against kidnappers. Khaleq Dad Akbari, the provincial council head, acknowledged incidents of abduction had lately increased in Ghazni. But he said the kidnappers were unable to get ransom and most of them had been captured by police. He suggested severe punishment for them to control the crime graph. Police chief, Brig. Gen. Aminullah Amarkhel, said they had launched an operation against kidnappers. As many as 18 raids have been conducted, leading to the arrest of 20 suspected kidnappers. He said currently two gangs of kidnappers were active in Ghazni and plans for their arrest had been worked out. However, Amarkhel did not go into details. Incidents of kidnapping have been on the rise in most provinces of the country, including Kabul, and people often demand strong action against the gangsters involved in the crime.



NIMROZ: A roadside bombing killed a highway group commander and a military officer in the Khashrud district of southwestern Nimroz province on Monday. The blast took place in Shashaba area at about 10am, a security official told Pajhwok Afghan News. He said the commander for the Zaranj-Delaram highway, Abdul Ghafoor Himmatyar, and a military officer was killed in the blast that injured one of Ghafoor's guards. The official said the injured guard had been evacuated to hospital in Zaranj, the provincial capital. He said Himmatyar was visiting a security post in the area to congratulate the highway police on the occasion of Eidul Fitri. Deputy police chief for Nimroz Col Mohammad Saleh Massoud confirmed the blast, but did not go into details. He said the landmine had been emplaced by the Taliban.

June 26, 2017

KHOST: A tribal elder was gunned down on Monday morning by unknown gunmen inside a mosque in the Alisher Tirazai district of southeastern Khost province, witnesses said. The elder, Habib Shah Khan, was offering morning prayer at the village mosque when two gunmen entered the mosque and opened fire, killing the elder on the spot, a resident Shah Mohammad, told Pajhwok Afghan News He said the attackers fled after killing Khan. Another resident, Mohammad Nazir, said Khan had been involved in resolving tribal disputes and had no personal enmity. No one has claimed responsibility for the murder and local officials have not yet commented on the incident.

June 26, 2017

FARYAB: Local police have arrested three persons for carrying away three dead bodies of insurgents in Pashtunkot district of northern Faryab province on Monday. Faryab police spokesman Abdul Karim Yurash told Pajhwok Afghan News the three dead bodies were recovered from a vehicle in Tilan area of the district and three persons in the vehicle were detained. He said the bodies had been sent to the provincial capital, Maimana. He said the detainees wanted to take the dead bodies of the rebels to their respective homes. He said one of the dead rebels belonged to Qisar district of Faryab, another to Qadis district of Badghis province and the third to Oba district of Herat province. However, a local security official said the dead persons were Daesh members and had been killed by Taliban rivals.

June 26, 2017

FARYAB: Taliban militants ambushed and killed three brothers in the Pashtunkot district of northern Faryab province on Monday, police said. Pashtunkot police chief told Pajhwok Afghan News the three brothers --- Mullah Habibullah, Mullah Nimatullah and Mullah Najibullah --- were members of an uprising group. He said the brothers were heading home from a security post when they came under



attack from insurgents. A local resident, Gul Ahmad, said the slain brothers were residents of Pasha Khan area. The incident comes a day after suspected rebels shot dead two passengers in the same village.

June 26, 2017

PARWAN: A woman was among three persons died after a government pick up vehicle crashed into other cars near the provincial capital of central Parwan province, an official said on Monday. The government ranger pick—up vehicle crashed into other vehicles after developing a technical fault, provincial traffic department head Mehrabuddin told Pajhwok Afghan News. He said the accident took place yesterday afternoon in Rabat area of the provincial capital, Charikar, leaving three persons dead, including a woman, and 13 others injured. He said the dead and wounded were male adults. Parwan civil hospital director Dr. Mohammad Qasin Sangin confirmed receiving the dead and wounded persons of the accident. He said eight of the injured people who were in critical condition had been sent to Kabul for treatment.

June 27, 2017

PAKTIKA: Two people have been killed and six others wounded in a traffic accidents in the Yousufkhelo district of southeastern Paktika province, an official said on Tuesday. An official and the Civil Hospital told Pajhwok Afghan News two dead and six injured had been shifted to the hospital. Syed Afzal, the resident of locality said, two people were killed and three others injured as a result of motorcycles collision in the Maist area on Monday evening. Qasem Khan, senior police official, confirmed to Pajhwok two people were killed and three injured in the traffic accident. It is pertinent to mention that every year during Eid days more traffic accident take place and leave scores of people killed and injured.

June 28, 2017

FARAH: Two policemen were killed and two others wounded as result of roadside bomb blast in western Farah province on Wednesday, an official said. Police spokesman, Iqbal Bahir, told Pajhwok Afghan News the incident took place in Mahajerabad village of Farah City, the provincial capital. The injured had been evacuated to the hospital and their health condition is said to be stable. He added police's vehicle was destroyed in the blast.

June 28, 2017



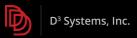
NANGARHAR: More than 150 people, including women and children, have been injured in accidents during the past three days of Eid-ul-fitr in eastern Nangarhar province, an official said on Wednesday. Carelessness of drivers, violation of traffic principles and narrow roads were called the main causes of these accidents. Nangarhar public health director, Dr. Najibullah Kamawal, told Pajhwok Afghan News 161 people including 10 women and a dozen children who were injured in accidents had been shifted to hospitals during Eid days. He said most of the accidents were due to huge motorcycles traffic and high speed. A number of injured had been discharged after receiving initial treatment but large number others were still under treatment, he added. Kamawal said that a number of other people who were injured in celebratory gunfire were also taken to hospitals for treatment. Nangarhar is a crowded province where many people are killed or injured in car accidents.

June 29, 2017

HERAT: About 300 people were injured and two killed during the three–day Eid festival in traffic incidents, street fights and toy guns in western Herat province, officials said. They said 169 people were injured in traffic accidents, 65 in street fights and 50 others, mostly children, wounded due to toy weapons. Jilani Farhad, the Herat governor's spokesman, said the wounded individuals had been admitted to the Zonal Hospital and Noor Hospital. He added 50 individuals, including children and youngsters, suffered eye injuries due to toy gunshots and most of them would likely lose their eyesight. He asked families not to allow children to endanger their health playing with toy guns. Meanwhile, Herat Zonal Hospital spokesman Mohammad Rafiq Sherzai said that besides 169 people wounded traffic incidents, 65 youngsters were injured in street clashes during Eid. They were brought to the hospital. He said two individuals were also killed in traffic mishaps. This Eidul Fitr saw a 25 to 30 percent increase in casualties, compared to the previous festival. Officials of the Zonal Hospital said more than 1,000 people had been wounded and 15 others killed in traffic accidents since the start of the current year.

June 29, 2017

FARAH: A drug addict has shot dead his aunt and wounded his wife and sister in western Farah province, officials said on Thursday. Kobra Azimi, women affairs director, told Pajhwok Afghan News the incident took place in the Gonahkan village of the provincial capital on Wednesday evening. She linked the incident to the perpetrator's addiction. The woman killed was 45 years old, who had come to his brother's home. According to Kobra, the injured have been taken to hospital and one of them was in critical condition. One of the injured, who did not want to be named, said that Zahir Shah was a drug addict and that he did not fire intentionally at his relatives. Igbal Bahir, police spokesman, said Shah



had confessed during preliminary interrogations to his crime. Shah claimed he was in a state of addiction while firing at members of his family.

June 29, 2017

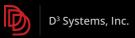
NANGARHAR: A woman and five Taliban fighters were killed during clashes with security forces in eastern Nangarhar province on Thursday. The clashes in Lalpura district erupted after the insurgents attacked security posts in Antan Sar area at about 8:30am, the governor's spokesman told Pajhwok Afghan News. Attaullah Khogyani said five attackers were killed as the security forces returned fire. He said the security forces escaped unhurt. A woman was killed and four others, including two children, were wounded when mortars fired by Taliban militants hit a house in the area, said Lalpura district chief Haji Mohammad Ghalib. He said security forces killed five Taliban and captured their weapons and ammunition. Resident of the area claimed that five civilian were killed during clash. A resident of the area who wishes to go unnamed told Pajhwok Afghan news that one woman was killed and two children and two men were wounded during clash The Taliban have so far said nothing about the incident in Lalpura that borders neighboring Pakistan.

June 29, 2017

KHOST: Rains-induced floods destroyed at least 200 shops and hundreds of homes in southeastern Khost province, also inundating hundreds acres of farmland in two districts, officials said on Thursday. Around 200 shops and two fuel stations and a portion of a road were destroyed by the heavy floods in Khalbesat Township of Sabari wa Yaqubi district on Wednesday evening, the town's administrative head said. Mohammad Akbar Zadran told Pajhwok Afghan News there were no casualties in the disaster that followed three hours of heavy raining. Eng. Sharifullah, provincial Natural Disaster Management Authority head, said they had also received reports about destruction of homes in the provincial capital and other areas. Investigation teams had been sent to the affected areas to assess the damage, he said. He said they had enough fund this year to deal with incidents of natural disasters compared to other years. He said previously they would receive two million Afghanis for the purpose but this year they had received five million Afghanis.

June 29, 2017

JAWZJAN: At least three anti-Taliban militiamen were killed in a roadside bombing in northern Jawzjan province on Thursday, an official said. Provincial deputy police chief Col. Abdul Hafiz Khashi told Pajhwok Afghan News the incident took place in Qazan Naro village of Majigak district this noon. Accusing the Taliban of emplacing the bomb, he said the uprising members were a on patrol when



their car hit the explosive. Biram, a resident of Qazan Naro village, said: "Taliban militants are still active in some rural areas of this district despite an operation against them last year." He said militants entered rural areas at night because they feared security forces during the day. "The Taliban lost a huge number of fighters during last year's operation here, but now they launch sporadic attacks on security forces," the resident said.

June 30, 2017

NANGARHAR: Airstrikes by Afghan forces killed 20 Daesh or Islamic State militants in the Achin district of eastern Nangarhar province, a military official said on Friday. Maj. Sherin Aqa Faqiri, 201 Selab Military Corps spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News the airstrikes were carried out during the past 24 hours in Mamand Cheena area on an important Daesh centre. He said 20 Daesh militants were killed and a number their light and heavy weapons were destroyed in the airstrikes. He also said the dead included foreign militants as well. The airstrikes in Achin district were also confirmed by the Ministry of Defense in a statement. The Daesh group has so far said nothing in this regard.

July 01, 2017

NANGARHAR: Seven civilians were killed and five others wounded on Friday when a roadside bomb tore through their vehicle in eastern Nangarhar province. The blast took place in Badar Dara area of Achin district at about 12pm, said Attaullah Khogyani, the provincial government spokesman. He said the injured had been evacuated to the hospital in nearby Ghanikhel district. The official said there were no children or women among the victims, accusing Daesh or Islamic State militant group of planting the homemade device. But a security official in Achin district, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, told Pajhwok Afghan News the dead included two children and as many women. He said the injured also included one child and two women who were travelling in a pick-up vehicle. A resident of the area, Lal Nabi, put the toll at nine dead and 12 wounded, saying all were civilians and passengers. No antigovernment group has so far come forward to assert responsibility for the roadside bombing. The incident comes after security officials said airstrikes by Afghan security forces killed 20 Daesh militants in the Achin district.

July 01, 2017

GHAZNI: As many as 142 militant groups have been active in southern Ghazni province and rebels from other parts join them at times, the police chief says. Brig. Gen. Aminullah Amarkhel, in an exclusive interview with Pajhwok Afghan News, said some armed groups were engaged in fighting against the security forces while others were complicit in human trafficking and armed robberies. He put the

number of gunmen at more than 2,000, including Arabs, Chechens, Pakistanis and Uzbeks. The number of foreign militants was around 100, mostly bomb-makers and organizers of suicide attacks. The provincial police boss said militants used the RDX-type explosives in suicide bombings. The substance had a huge impact and was not available in Afghanistan, he explained. Amarkhel added the militant outfits maintained contacts close with other groups in the neighboring provinces and carried out joint insurgent activities when needed. But the security forces were fully trained and prepared to thwart the nefarious designs of the rebels, he hastened to assert. "We have been responding to them in a befitting manner and would continue to do so."However, the Taliban rejected the police chief's view. Their spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid said no other group except Taliban was active in Ghazni. He added the Taliban were leading the ongoing insurgency in the province. On the other hand, residents termed the security situation precarious. Rahmatullah, hailing from the provincial capital, said the security situation in all districts had deteriorated. With heavy clashes ongoing in Waghaz, Deh Yak, Zankhan and Qarabagh districts, he called for strong action to keep the insurgents at bay. Esmatullah Jamardal, deputy head of the provincial council, acknowledged different militant groups were active in Ghazni. He asked the government to chalk out a proper strategy to improve the security situation. Security officials, however, said they had been working hard to improve the situation in the province.

July 01, 2017

KAPISA: The Taliban have shot dead an education official in the Tagab district of central Kapisa province, authorities said on Saturday. Police spokesman Mohammad Ayub Yousafzai told Pajhwok Afghan News Mulavi Mujahid Abid, deputy director of Islamic education, was gunned down late on Friday night. Ayub added Abid was killed by his cousin, who had been in Taliban's ranks. "Abid's cousin was fighting for Taliban in the area. Our investigation shows Abid came out of his house before being shot dead." A relative of the slain official, Khairullah, said Abid was living in Kabul. He had come to his hometown on Eid leave. The Taliban have not yet commented on the official's killing.

July 01, 2017

NANGARHAR: Fourteen ISIS fighters have been killed by unidentified gunmen in the Khogyani district of eastern Nangarhar province, the Afghan military said on Saturday. The Daesh loyalists were shot dead after being arrested a day earlier in Sor Dag area of the district, the 201 Selab Military Corps said in a statement. However, Khogyani district chief Haji Zalmai said the 14 Daesh men had only been arrested not killed, by their former Taliban colleagues over joining the Islamic State. He said the Taliban had shifted the arrested men from Khogyani district to neighboring Sherzad district and had not killed as yet. The Selab Military Corps also said two Daesh militants were injured during the ongoing special operation in Nangarhar. The Taliban and Daesh have so far not commented about the killing of 14



fighters. The two groups have previously clashed many times in various districts of Nangarhar, with both the sides suffering casualties.

July 01, 2017

GHAZNI: The commander of local uprising forces and five Taliban have been killed in a clash in southern Ghazni province, an official said on Saturday. Spokesman for Ghazni police Fahim Amarkhel told Pajhwok Afghan news the incident happened in Mangor area of Ghazni City, the provincial capital, on Friday where the Taliban arrived to surrender. But the Taliban all of the sudden resorted to firing in which commander of the local uprising group, five Taliban killed and four other people were injured. Separately, 4 Taliban fighters have been killed and two other have injured in an early morning clash with police in Ghatano locality in Andar district. Jan Mohammad a resident of Andaro district told Pajhwok Afhgan news that Taliban attacked local police checkpoints in Ghatano area where one local police officer was killed and two other were injured. The Taliban confirmed recent clashes in Andar district. Spokesman of the group Zabihullah Mujahid claimed that 2 local security personnel were killed during clashes in Ghatano area.

July 01, 2017

KANDAHAR: The Afghan army on Saturday claimed killing at least 40 Taliban militants during an operation in Maiwand district of southern Kandahar province. Another 10 rebels were wounded in the operation in Bayab Banak area, about 70 kilometers from Kandahar city, the provincial capital, said Afghan National Army's 205th Atal Military Corps spokesman Capt. Ahmad Sadiq. He told Pajhwok Afghan News the corps 3rd infantry brigade conducted the mopping-up operation after reports about a gathering of insurgents in the area. Sadiq said the ground offensive also involved mortar firing that resulted in the killing of 40 insurgents and injuries to another 10. According to him, six vehicles and 16 motorbikes belonging to the insurgents were destroyed in the operation. He denied casualties to civilians and the soldiers. Maiwand district chief Haji Obaidullah said the Taliban had suffered heavy casualties in the operation, but provided no figure. There has been so far, no word from insurgents in this regard. Maiwand is situated on the busy Kandahar-Herat highway. Insecurity incidents in the town are frequently reported.

July 01, 2017

URUZGAN: Fifteen militants, including five **Haqqani network** members, have been killed in airstrikes in Uruzgan and Paktika provinces, officials said on Saturday. In southeastern Paktika province, a commander was among five Haqqani network insurgents killed in a drone strike by the Afghan forces

in Margha locality of Barmal district last night. A large amount of ammunition belonging to the Haqqanis was destroyed in the blitz, said battalion commander of the 203 Thunder Military Corps, Mohammad Ayub. A government official in Barmal district confirmed the drone attack that he said targeted members of the dreaded Haqqani network. He said the slain rebels were loyal to Commander Saifullah. Elsewhere, ten militants were killed as a result of an airstrike in Tirinkot, the capital of central Uruzgan province, police official Malik Zaren told Pajhwok Afghan News. He said the airstrike hit a Taliban convoy in Mehrabad locality, killing 10 fighters including a commander and injuring five others. He didn't mention who carried out the airstrike. He said the Taliban had been planning to attack Afhgan forces' checkpoints but their convoy was destroyed in the airstrike.

IV. QUALITY CONTROL

This section provides a description of quality control. Additional data processing checks and hard checks taken to ensure the quality of the report are summarized in this section. This survey had a high level of quality control and oversight which contributes to the overall validity of the data collected.

Field Team

A description of the field team composition such as the number of interviewers by gender, the number of interviewers that have worked on previous D3 projects, and those that are new interviewers to a D3 project are described in Table 6.

TABLE 6: DESCRIPTION OF FIELD

	Female	Male	Total
Number of female/male interviewers	365	614	979
Number of interviewers previously used in D3 project	358	601	959
Number of interviewers new to a D3 project	7	13	20



Training

The central training for provincial supervisors was held in Kabul on June 17-July 1, 2017 and was led by ACSOR project managers Nazir Ekhlass and Jawed Alkozai. Thirty-four provincial supervisors were trained at the central training in Kabul. Additional provincial level trainings were conducted in all 34 provinces by the trained supervisors.

Topics covered during the training include:

- Proper household and respondent selection
- Review of the questionnaire content
- Proper recording of questions
- Appropriate interviewing techniques
- Proper usage of the contact sheets

The training sessions were conducted successfully and no issues were reported.

Quality Control Methods - Field Level

When the questionnaires have returned to the ACSOR central office in Kabul they are sorted and openend questions are coded by a team of coders familiar with international standards for creating typologies for codes.

The questionnaires are then sent for data entry. ACSOR key-punches all questionnaires on-site to protect the data and closely control the quality of the data entry process. During this process, the keypunching team utilizes logic checks and verifies any errors inadvertently committed by interviewers.

Following the data cleaning process and logic checks of the dataset, ACSOR uses a proprietary program called Hunter that searches for additional patterns and duplicates that may indicate that an interview was not properly conducted by an interviewer.

The Hunter program includes three tests:

- 1. Equality test compares interviews for similarities, grouped by interviewer, within sampling point, province, or any other variable. Typically, interviews with an interviewer average of 90% or higher are flagged for further investigation.
- 2. Non response test determines the percentage of "Don't Knows" for each interviewer's cases. Typically, interviews with 25% or higher Don't Know responses are flagged for further investigation.



3. Duplicates test – compares cases across all interviewers and respondents to check for similarity rates. This test will flag any pair of interviews that are similar to each other. Typically, any cases that have a similarity of 95% or higher are flagged for further investigation.

Any interview that does not pass Hunter is pulled out for additional screening. If the interview does not pass screening, it is removed from the final database before delivery.

For Wave 37, the Hunter program flagged a total of 416 cases to be removed:

- 24 cases were removed due to over 90% similarity in answers
- 10 cases were removed due to having over 50% non-response
- 382 cases were removed for being over 95% similar in substantive responses (duplicates test).

Quality Control - Double Entry

For the Wave 37 survey, ACSOR randomly selected 1,362 questionnaires of the total 13,3668 (15%). These questionnaires were then given to an independent team for entry. Data results from this independent entry were then compared to the primary data set. Discrepancies and errors were identified by data coders. All discrepancies were compared to the fielded questionnaires. The data in the finalized dataset were based on the responses provided in the original questionnaires. The results of double entry showed an overall error rate of .11%, which is comparably low and acceptable for quality control standards.

⁸ Total n size before Hunter deletions and cases were removed due to improper survey administration and misprinted questionnaires.

V. QUESTIONNAIRE

The questionnaire was drafted from client specifications consisting of 31 management questions, 18 demographics questions, and 104 substantive questions. The mean interview length was 34 minutes with a range of 20 to 60 minutes. Topic areas that were addressed in the questionnaire include:

- Security
- Afghan National Security Forces
- NATO/International Forces
- Reconciliation/Reintegration
- Taliban/Da'esh
- Government performance
- Economic conditions
- Dispute resolution
- · Perception of countries and organizations
- Migration

VI. OUTLOOK FOR FUTURE STUDIES

The fieldwork for ANQAR Wave 37 proceeded successfully. D3/ACSOR anticipate no difficulties in repeating the study for future waves.

VII. APPENDIX

Appendix A

LIST OF INTERCEPT INTERVIEWS FOR ANQAR WAVE 37

Sampling Point	Province	District	
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328	22 Faryab (FYB)	Kohistan	
329	22 Faryab (FYB)	Kohistan	
358	20 Jawzjan (JOW)	Qarqin	
359	20 Jawzjan (JOW)	Qarqin	
370	20 Jawzjan (JOW)	Darzab	
371	20 Jawzjan (JOW)	Darzab	
372	20 Jawzjan (JOW)	Darzab	
373	20 Jawzjan (JOW)	Darzab	
381	21 Sari Pul (SAR)	Sayad	
382	21 Sari Pul (SAR)	Sayad	
383	21 Sari Pul (SAR)	Balkhab	
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405	21 Sari Pul (SAR)	Kohistanat	
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515	16 Baghlan (BGL)	Baghlan-e Jadid	
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1703	27 Helmand (HEL)	Now Zad				
1704	27 Helmand (HEL)	Marja				
1705	27 Helmand (HEL)	Marja				
1706	27 Helmand (HEL)	Reg-e Khan Neshin				
1707	27 Helmand (HEL)	Reg-e Khan Neshin				
1708	27 Helmand (HEL)	Dishu				
1709	27 Helmand (HEL)	Dishu				
1718	27 Helmand (HEL)	Nawah-ye Barakzai				
1719	27 Helmand (HEL)	Nawah-ye Barakzai				
1720	27 Helmand (HEL)	Nawah-ye Barakzai				
1721	27 Helmand (HEL)	Nawah-ye Barakzai				
1722	27 Helmand (HEL)	Nawah-ye Barakzai				
1723	27 Helmand (HEL)	Nawah-ye Barakzai				



Appendix B

LIST OF REPLACED SAMPLING POINTS FOR ANQAR WAVE 37

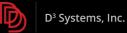
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23 9	1. Kabul	19	Paghma n	3 GONBAD DAMNO Replaced with KOHBAKI	No transport ation way for vehicles				
24 3	1. Kabul	19	Paghma n	QOUL LONG Replaced with FARASHA H CHANDAL BAYEE	No transport ation way for vehicles				
24 5	1. Kabul	20	Shakar Darah	QALA DASHT Replaced with BAGH HARIF KHAN	No transport ation way for vehicles	SAYID NAZEM KHAIL	No transport ation way for vehicles		
24 6	1. Kabul	20	Shakar Darah	ANJERAK Replaced with FATAH KHAIL	No transport ation way for vehicles				
7	1. Kabul	20	Shakar Darah	QALA AHMAD Replaced with QALA MURAD	No village with this name was	QALA DASHT KARAIZ	No transport ation way for		

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				BAIG	found		vehicles		
24 8	1. Kabul	20	Shakar Darah	QOULAB Replaced with AQA ALI SHAIKHO	No transport ation way for vehicles				
24 9	1. Kabul	21	Qarah Bagh	PASHAYE Replaced with KAKAR	No transport ation way for vehicles				
25 2	1. Kabul	21	Qarah Bagh	SHENWAR I Replaced with QARA QOUL	No transport ation way for vehicles				
25 4	1. Kabul	21	Qarah Bagh	QALA SUFIYAN replaced with LOGARI	No transport ation way for vehicles				
25 5	1. Kabul	22	Bagram i	QALA JABAR KHAN Replaced with QALA NOMAN	No transport ation way for vehicles	QALA HASSAN KHAN PAYEN	No village with this name was found		
25 7	1. Kabul	22	Bagram i	SAYFUDDI N Replaced with BUTKHAK	No transport ation way for vehicles	QALA AHMADZ AI-QALA JAJI HA	No village with this name was		

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				Draw)	Replace ment	Draw)	Replace ment	Draw)	Replace ment
2	Faryab	7	Kot	Replaced with Jamshidi	village is under control of Taliban	QOUL	village is under control of Taliban	NEYAZ BAIG PAYEN	transport ation way for vehicles
29 5	22. Faryab	28 7	Pashtun Kot	DOWAZDA AYMAQ Replaced with HAZAR QALA BALA	The village is under control of Taliban				
29 6	22. Faryab	28 7	Pashtun Kot	QARGHA GETA BABA QOUL Replaced with SHAH FOLAD EALKA BALA	The village is under control of Taliban				
29 9	22. Faryab	28 7	Pashtun Kot	TAWAKULI Replaced with DAHAN HAYAR	The village is under control of Taliban	ZEYARAT GA BALA	The village is under control of Taliban		
30	22. Faryab	28 7	Pashtun Kot	QESHLAQ ARBAB AMIR KHAN Replaced with HAZAR	The village is under control of Taliban				



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					Taliban				
31 2	22. Faryab	28 9	Shirin Tagab	KALTA SHOR Replaced with Shash Tapa	The village is under control of Taliban	ARAPTO	The village is under control of Taliban	ASTANA BABA	The village is under control of Taliban
31 4	22. Faryab	28 9	Shirin Tagab	BUGHRA Replaced with GOR AW GHALY	The village is under control of Taliban				
31 5	22. Faryab	28 9	Shirin Tagab	BARIKZAI Replaced with GUL TAPA	The village is under control of Taliban				
32 2	22. Faryab	29	Almar	SHAIKHAN SHORAN Replaced with NOW GHOLY PAYAN	The village is under control of Taliban	QESHLA Q HAJI RAHIM	The village is under control of Taliban	NOW GHOLY PAYAN	The village is under control of Taliban
32	22. Faryab	29	Almar	KHOWJA GOWHAR GARDI Replaced with Chaghatak	The village is under control of Taliban	CHOBAKI	The village is under control of Taliban	JAMAN SAI	The village is under control of Taliban
32	22.	29	Almar	JAR QOUL	The	QASHQA	The	GHAL	The



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35 6	20. Jowzja n	27 2	Khanaq a	MAMA KOT Replaced with QARA POYEN TAZA NAHR	No village with this name was found	QADOGH SHAHID	The village is under control of Taliban	QARA POYEN TAZA NAHR	The village is under control of Taliban
36 6	20. Jowzja n	26 8	Shibirgh an	NOOR TOGHA YA SEA SHANBA Replaced with SOFI QALA	The village is under control of Taliban				
38 7	21. Sar-e Pul	28 5	Sozmah Qal'ah	AWQAF QESHLAQ Replaced with BAGH ISHAQ	The village is under control of Taliban				
38 9	21. Sar-e Pul	27 9	Sar-e Pul	GOR TAPA Replaced with Toghni Uzbikia	The village is under control of Taliban	HAJI MOHAM MAD GHAWS	The village is under control of Taliban	KUNJAK	The village is under control of Taliban
39 0	21. Sar-e Pul	27 9	Sar-e Pul	AQTASH Replaced with Qezel Qum	No transport ation way for vehicles	GONGOR	No transport ation way for vehicles	BAL GHALYE	The village is under control of Taliban



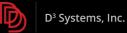
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53	16. Baghla n	7	Nahrin	PARYANI Replaced with LAR KHAWI	No village with this name was found	ZARA WA GAJOR	No village with this name was found		
53 3	16. Baghla n	22 8	Khost wa Firing	DAHI BOKHARI Replaced with AYMAQ	The village is under control of Taliban				
53 9	16. Baghla n	23 0	Burkah	MADRASA TANGI MOURCH Replaced with SAQOW SAI	The village is under control of Taliban				
54 9	16. Baghla n	23 4	Pul-e Hisar	MIR HAZAR KHAIL Replaced with TANGI QAZA	The village is under control of Taliban				
55 0	16. Baghla n	23 4	Pul-e Hisar	KUNJI KHAIL Replaced with GADARA	The village is under control of Taliban				
58	17.	24	Aliabad	SABZ-ALI	The				



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				ABAD	Taliban				
63 2	15. Takhar	22 2	Hazar Sumuch	GUL QODOQ Replaced with MASJED PAYEN	No transport ation way for vehicles				
63	15. Takhar	22 2	Hazar Sumuch	KHOJA LAMTO Replaced with HAZAR SAMOCH PAYEN	No transport ation way for vehicles				
63 5	15. Takhar	20 7	Taloqan	BOLTI Replaced with DANG QESHLAQ	No transport ation way for vehicles				
63	15. Takhar	20 7	Taloqan	SHAMIR PAYEN Replaced with QAZAQ PAYEN	No transport ation way for vehicles				
63 9	15. Takhar	20 7	Taloqan	SUFI GHULAM Replaced with POST KHOR	No transport ation way for vehicles				
64 0	15. Takhar	20 7	Taloqan	IBRAHIM Replaced	No transport	EAL PAITOW	No transport		

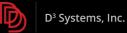


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64 8	15. Takhar	20 8	Rustaq	ALLAT Replaced with Qezel Qala Kazpary	No transport ation way for vehicles	BAIKHA	No transport ation way for vehicles	ASIAB HA	
64 9	15. Takhar	20 8	Rustaq	JAWAZ KHANA Replaced with SHAKARI	No transport ation way for vehicles				
65 0	15. Takhar	20 8	Rustaq	QARA BALAQ Replaced with DOORMAN	No transport ation way for vehicles	AQCHAR PAYEN	No transport ation way for vehicles		
65	15. Takhar	20 8	Rustaq	NOW ABAD YAL KASHAN Replaced with Wardak Ha	No transport ation way for vehicles	CHAPA KHANA	No transport ation way for vehicles	GOZAR- BALA- GARGAN	
65 2	15. Takhar	20 8	Rustaq	DARAH GOG Replaced with Baghe Hesar	No transport ation way for vehicles	SARGHA R KOHNNA	No transport ation way for vehicles	GANDAH SHAIKH	
65 3	15. Takhar	20 8	Rustaq	GHAJ Replaced with KHAILANI HA	No transport ation way for vehicles				



SP #	Provin ce	Di s# 21	Distric t	Village (1st Draw)	Reason for Replace ment	Village (2nd Draw)	Reason for Replace ment	Village (3rd Draw)	Reason for Replace ment
66 2	Takhar	0	sh	QARA TEPA NOW ABAD Replaced with Khair Abad	village is under control of Taliban	DARAH	transport ation way for vehicles	AK CHASHMA	village is under control of Taliban
66	15. Takhar	21	Chah Ab	SAR HOWZ Replaced with SEYA JAAR	No transport ation way for vehicles				
66 5	15. Takhar	21	Chah Ab	KHARI ABAD Replaced with Khasar	No transport ation way for vehicles	WARNAK HOWA CHASHM A	No transport ation way for vehicles	HOUDAI	No transport ation way for vehicles
66 6	15. Takhar	21	Chah Ab	SHAH DARAH Replaced with Iznna	No transport ation way for vehicles	GAZAN GOZAR HARSHI MAN	No transport ation way for vehicles	AB SHAKHAK	No transport ation way for vehicles
66 7	15. Takhar	21 2	Farkhar	KOKAN Replaced with MALISAN	No transport ation way for vehicles	NOW ABAD YA SANGAN	No transport ation way for vehicles		
66 8	15. Takhar	21 2	Farkhar	SHAH BOSTAN Replaced with KUNDA KAW	No transport ation way for vehicles				

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	shan			Replaced with Khwaja Abdul Mahrouf	ation way for vehicles				
68 2	14. Badakh shan	18 8	Faizaba d town	Wartashk Replaced with Dasht Qurogh	No transport ation way for vehicles				
69 7	14. Badakh shan	20 2	Arghanj Khwah	REPS Replaced with GAMAOW	No transport ation way for vehicles	MAR DARA	No transport ation way for vehicles		
69 8	14. Badakh shan	20 2	Arghanj Khwah	ANDARAB Replaced with ARYAN	No transport ation way for vehicles	WAR NAIL	No transport ation way for vehicles		
70 1	14. Badakh shan	17 9	Kishim	POUL HAIRAN Replaced with ZAIR JAAR HA	No transport ation way for vehicles	ZAIR PAICHAK	No transport ation way for vehicles		
70 2	14. Badakh shan	17 9	Kishim	KHAMBOK HULYA Replaced with GUNBAD BALA	No transport ation way for vehicles				
70	14.	17	Kishim	DARA	No	SHEKIST	No		



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2	Badakh shan	1	m	PAYEN Replaced with MOGHUL TAY	transport ation way for vehicles				
71 3	14. Badakh shan	18	Darayi m	DOGH GHALTA Replaced with Roi Dasht	No transport ation way for vehicles	QOWAT ALI	No transport ation way for vehicles	KHAS PAK	No transport ation way for vehicles
71 5	14. Badakh shan	18 2	Yaftal-e Sufla	SHALGHA ZAR Replaced with Gul Darah	No transport ation way for vehicles	PAHAN DARA PAYEN	No transport ation way for vehicles	SHAKAR LAB PAYAN	No transport ation way for vehicles
71 6	14. Badakh shan	18 2	Yaftal-e Sufla	BAGHAK Replaced with Bazarak	No transport ation way for vehicles	QOUYEZ	No transport ation way for vehicles	KOHNA QESHLAQ	No transport ation way for vehicles
71 8	14. Badakh shan	18 2	Yaftal-e Sufla	GAZANAK Replaced with Shita Kalan	No transport ation way for vehicles	AROYES HA	No transport ation way for vehicles	TOORYAB	No transport ation way for vehicles
72 0	14. Badakh shan	18 3	Shahr-e Buzurg	KOL Replaced with SHAIKHAN	No transport ation way for vehicles				
72 7	14. Badakh	18 7	Shuhad a	QASAB DARA	No transport				



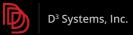
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	shan			SHEWA Replaced with SARANGA N	ation way for vehicles				
72 8	14. Badakh shan	18 8	Faizaba d	ZARD ALOWK Replaced with Mir Gulabad	No transport ation way for vehicles	MADRAL	No transport ation way for vehicles	ROI RAB YA KHAIR ABAD	No transport ation way for vehicles
73 0	14. Badakh shan	18 6	Jurm	MAGHZAR KHOL Replaced with Dashtak Jurm	No transport ation way for vehicles	KHAJOW	No transport ation way for vehicles	MILA	No transport ation way for vehicles
73 1	14. Badakh shan	18 6	Jurm	ZO Replaced with Jang Shashqol	No transport ation way for vehicles	FEREJ PAYEN	No transport ation way for vehicles	SAR HOWZ FARGHAMI RO	No transport ation way for vehicles
73 2	14. Badakh shan	18 6	Jurm	SAFCHAN Replaced with NOW JURM DAHI PAYEN	No transport ation way for vehicles	BAGH ZAGHAN FARGHA MENEJ	No transport ation way for vehicles		
73 3	14. Badakh shan	18 6	Jurm	KATEB Replaced with Hesarak	No village with this name was found	SAPOH BALA	No transport ation way for vehicles	NOW ABAD KOSHGAG	No transport ation way for vehicles

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6	Saman gan	8	ye Suf- e Bala	MANG SAYYID HA Replaced with BAHSOOD ZERAKI	transport ation way for vehicles	BALAQ	transport ation way for vehicles		
75 8	19. Saman gan	24 8	Darah- ye Suf- e Bala	KHOJA BOLAND BALA Replaced with ZERAKI GHAZNI CHAI	No transport ation way for vehicles				
75 9	19. Saman gan	24 8	Darah- ye Suf- e Bala	SAR BOUM BALA Replaced with Char Toot	No transport ation way for vehicles	ZAHRA	No village with this name was found	SAR SHOWLAN	No transport ation way for vehicles
76 0	19. Saman gan	24 9	Ruy Do Ab	BALAH ALI BALA Replaced with PAITAB	No transport ation way for vehicles				
76 3	19. Saman gan	25 0	Hazrat- e Sultan	QARCHA BALAGH Replaced with TOULAKA CHI QOUSH	The village is under control of Taliban				

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76 5	32. Bamya n	39 8	Kahmar d	ASHPOSH TA Replaced with LAR MOSH	The village is under control of Taliban				
76 6	32. Bamya n	39 8	Kahmar d	KOHNA QALA Replaced with Bagh Payeen	No transport ation way for vehicles	PAI SOM	No transport ation way for vehicles	CHAKARI DARAH	No village with this name was found
76 7	32. Bamya n	39	Shaybar	MALE Replaced with SAR DASHT	No transport ation way for vehicles	JANDAR GUL HULYA	No transport ation way for vehicles		
77 2	32. Bamya n	39	Waras	JEERAN Replaced with SAR GHAR	No village with this name was found				
77	32. Bamya n	39 4	Waras	GARDANA K Replaced with GHAR	No transport ation way for vehicles	TAKAL RATKAL	No village with this name was found		
77 8	32. Bamya	39 5	Yakawl ang	NAQOUM Replaced	No transport				



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	n			with Deh Barat	ation way for vehicles	DARA	ation way for vehicles		ation way for vehicles
78 9	32. Bamya n	39 7	Panjab	ZARD CHASHMA Replaced with Deh Abkhana	No transport ation way for vehicles	SAFIDAK	No transport ation way for vehicles	NAWI BARIK	No transport ation way for vehicles
79 0	32. Bamya n	39 7	Panjab	SHAGRA Replaced with DARA SHEBAR HULYA	No village with this name was found				
83	6. Ghazni	70	Ghazni town	Mongor Replaced with Qala Arezo	No transport ation way for vehicles				
86 5	6. Ghazni	68	Qarah Bagh	LANGAR Replaced with SAR GHAR	The village is under control of Taliban				
87 6	6. Ghazni	70	Ghazni	NOWGHI SAR WANA Replaced with QALA AKRAM	The village is under control of Taliban				
91	8.	86	Orgun	MIRA GUL	There				



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3	Paktika			Replaced with PIR KOTI	was wedding in this village				
91 5	8. Paktika	86	Orgun	JUMA KHAN Replaced with SHINKAY	The village is under control of Taliban				
91 6	8. Paktika	86	Orgun	MIR GAY Replaced with KHOWJA HASSAN DUMA	The village is under control of Taliban				
91 7	8. Paktika	87	Sharan	GUL DARA Replaced with GHUNDAY	The village is under control of Taliban				
92	8. Paktika	92	Mota Khan	RUSTAM KHAIL Replaced with SHAHABU DDIN	The village is under control of Taliban				
94	5. Logar	62	Muham mad Aghah	ABPARAN PAYEN Replaced with DAHI WALAK	The village is under control of				

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					Taliban				
94	5. Logar	62	Muham mad Aghah	JARGI SAR Replaced with EANAK	The village is under control of Taliban	SHAH TOOT	The village is under control of Taliban		
94 2	5. Logar	62	Muham mad Aghah	MIRAJAN KALAY Replaced with QALA MULLAH AMAN	No transport ation way for vehicles				
94	5. Logar	65	Khoshi	BAR TANGI Replaced with SARA GHONDI KHAIL PAYEN	The village is under control of Taliban				
95 3	5. Logar	60	Pul-e 'Alam	SHARAFU DDIN Replaced with HALAM KHAIL	No village with this name was found				
95 5	5. Logar	60	Pul-e 'Alam	QEZELBAS H HA Replaced with BOLAND AB	No village with this name was found				

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95 6	5. Logar	60	Pul-e 'Alam	KOZ NOOR KHAIL Replaced with BAZAR KULANGA R	No village with this name was found	AKBAR KHAIL	The village is under control of Taliban		
95 8	5. Logar	60	Pul-e 'Alam	NEAZI KALA Replaced with MULLAH HASSAN	The village is under control of Taliban	NEYAZE BALA	The village is under control of Taliban		
96	3. Parwan	43	Jabal us Saraj	FATTAH KHAN KHAIL Replaced with KHOJA KHAIL GULBAHA R	People didn't allow the interview				
96 4	3. Parwan	43	Jabal us Saraj	SHAH TOOTAK Replaced with QADER KHAIL	No village with this name was found				
97 7	3. Parwan	49	Shaykh 'Ali	DAHAN BAR KHANA Replaced with	The village is under control of				

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				DAHANA BAID QOUL	Taliban				
98 9	3. Parwan	41	Bagram	PAIR HAZAR Replaced with GHULAM ALI	No village with this name was found	SAHABI KHAIL	The village is under control of Taliban		
99	3. Parwan	41	Bagram	AROTAKI Replaced with GOJAR KHAIL	The village is under control of Taliban				
99	3. Parwan	41	Bagram	HUSSAIN KHAIL Replaced with CHAIKAL	The village is under control of Taliban				
99	3. Parwan	41	Bagram	MAHTAD KHAIL Replaced with MAHE GER CHOUNI	The village is under control of Taliban				
11 37	10. Ningar har	13 3	Achin	TERI Replaced with SATAR KHAIL KALAY	The village is under control of Taliban	WATAR KHAIL	The village is under control of Taliban		

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12 24	12. Kunar	15 2	Tsowke y	ATA LALCHAK NAOW Replaced with SAWKI	Taliban The village is under control of Taliban				
12 41	12. Kunar	16 0	Sar Kani	MAMANDA HI Replaced with Kamp	The village is under control of Taliban	TOOT NOW	The village is under control of Taliban	GOLA PARI	The village is under control of Taliban
12 46	12. Kunar	16 5	Danga m	SHUDAN Replaced with KAR KOTT	The village is under control of Taliban	KAS	The village is under control of Taliban		
12 47	12. Kunar	16 5	Danga m	BUN SHAHI KANDOW Replaced with SARA DARA	The village is under control of Taliban	GHAZAN	The village is under control of Taliban		
12 69	33. Panjsh ayr	40 3	Rukhah	SHAIKHAN QALA Replaced with DO SHAKH	Malik of the village didn't allow the interview				
12	33.	40	Bazarak	SHENKAR	There				

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				Replaced with ALIKA	under control of Taliban				
13 70	29. Zabul	37 7	Mizan	TUGHRAT Replaced with DIW KHANA	The village is under control of Taliban	SAYYID ZHORA	The village is under control of Taliban		
13 72	29. Zabul	36 8	Shah Joy	SAIFU KALAY Replaced with MIHRAN KALAY	The village is under control of Taliban				
13 74	29. Zabul	36 8	Shah Joy	BAGHTO Replaced with TARKAY	The village is under control of Taliban				
13 89	30. Uruzga n	38 0	Chorah	ABDUL RAZAQ KHAIR MOHAMM AD KALAY JARMASTA N Replaced with ABI HULYA	The village is under control of Taliban				
14	34.	41	Mir	NOKA WA	No				

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16 44	25. Farah	32	Farah	NOW BAHAR SUFLA Replaced with Mazar	The village is under control of Taliban	QALA HENDO	No village with this name was found	KARAIZ LAHL MOHAMM AD	The village is under control of Taliban
16 51	25. Farah	32 4	Bala Boluk	RABAT Replaced with Granni	The village is under control of Taliban	DAHI NOW	The village is under control of Taliban	QALA NASRULLA H	The village is under control of Taliban
16 68	27. Helma nd	34 5	Lashkar Gah town	Sor Kodar Replaced with Qala Kohna	The village is under control of Taliban				
16 71	27. Helma nd	33 9	Nad 'Ali	SHAMSUL DIN Replaced with KAKARANI CHAH MIRZA	The village is under control of Taliban	NOW ABAD KHUSHM AL KALAY	Mine was planted on the roads.		
16 74	27. Helma nd	34 2	Garm Ser	MULLAH RANGIN WA SHAH WALI Replaced with	The village is under control of Taliban				

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				SAYIDAN FAQERAN					
16 78	27. Helma nd	34 2	Garm Ser	HAJI MOHAMM AD AKBAR KHAN Replaced with FAQIR MOHAMM DA KHAN	The village is under control of Taliban	WAKIL KHAN GUL WA ATA MOHAM MAD	The village is under control of Taliban		
16 90	27. Helma nd	34 5	Lashkar Gah	HAJI HABIBULL AH Replaced with Haji Nazar Mohammu d Kariz	Mine was planted on the roads.	LACHMI	The village is under control of Taliban	KHUSH DIL KHAN MALANG	Mine was planted on the roads.
16 91	27. Helma nd	34 5	Lashkar Gah	LALA GUL Replaced with KARAIZ HAJI ABDUL WAHID	The village is under control of Taliban				
16 92	27. Helma nd	34 5	Lashkar Gah	ABDUL ZAHIR WA KHAN M.KALAY Replaced with KOTI SAFID	The village is under control of Taliban				