

# Suicide blasts kill 24 in Pakistan

Taliban says attacks to avenge leader's arrest

AFP, Quetta

Twin Taliban bombs targeting security forces responsible for the recent capture of senior al-Qaeda operatives killed 24 people and wounded 82 others in southwest Pakistan yesterday, police said.

One attacker detonated his bomb-laden car outside the residence of the deputy chief of the Frontier Corps in Quetta city, before a second attacker blew himself up inside the house, said senior police official Hamid Shakil.

The attacks, claimed by the Pakistani Taliban, struck at rush hour and exacted a high toll in an area packed with security guarding Quetta's officials and government buildings.

Hitting the residence of deputy chief Farrukh Shahzad, the bombs wounded him, killed his wife and injured at least one of his children, security officials said.

"The death toll has gone up and 24 deaths are now confirmed. There were at least 82 people wounded and taken to different hospitals. We have reports that at least seven of them are seriously hurt," said Shakil.

Flames from the blast engulfed security vehicles and motorcycles parked outside Shahzad's residence, where paramilitary forces had been waiting to escort the deputy inspector-general to work.

Two children and at least 11 troops from the Frontier Corps and army -- including an army officer -- were among the dead, Shakil said.

A mosque and official residences nearby were also badly damaged, he said.

Shakil said the car had been packed with 50 kilograms of explosives. He said the head of one of the bombers was found, along with an identity card that indicated he could have been from Afghanistan's Kunduz province.

The Frontier Corps is Pakistan's paramilitary force. On Monday the army announced the corps had arrested a senior al-Qaeda leader believed to have been responsible for planning attacks on the United States, Europe and Australia.

Younis al-Mauritani was picked up in the suburbs of Quetta, the main town of Baluchistan province bordering Afghanistan and Iran, along with two other high-ranking operatives, after US and Pakistani spy agencies joined forces.

The army named the two other senior operatives as Abdul Ghaffar al-Shami and Messara al-Shami.

Pakistani Taliban spokesman Ehsanullah Ehsan told AFP in a phone call from an undisclosed location that the group was behind the attacks "to avenge the arrest of our mujahedin brothers by Pakistani security forces in Quetta recently".

Asked whether he was referring to al-Mauritani and two others, he said "Yes."

"We will launch a bigger attack in future," Ehsan said.

## India not to succumb to terrorism

Says Manmohan

IANS, Dhaka

India will 'never succumb to the pressure of terrorism', Prime Minister Manmohan Singh said here yesterday after a bomb blast at the Delhi High Court left 10 people dead.

All political parties and people in India should remain united to crush the 'scourge of terrorism', the prime minister said in Dhaka where he arrived Tuesday on a two-day visit.

He said: 'My heart goes out to the bereaved families and to those who are injured. I convey my best wishes.'

'This is a cowardly act of terrorist nature. We will deal with it. We will never succumb to the pressure of terrorism.'

'This is a long war in which all political parties, all the people of India have to stand united so that the scourge of terrorism is crushed.'

He said he was not cutting short his trip to Bangladesh. 'I am going back this evening anyway.'



An Indian policeman carries a wounded woman to the RML Hospital in New Delhi yesterday, following a bomb blast that killed 44 at the Delhi High Court. Police said the bomb had apparently been placed in a suitcase near the reception where scores of petitioners were queuing for their entry passes to the court complex, situated in the centre of the Indian capital.

PHOTO: AFP

## Chronology of recent bomb attacks in India

AFP, New Delhi

Uttar Pradesh.

A powerful bomb that killed eleven people outside the High Court in New Delhi yesterday was the latest in a series of deadly bomb attacks on cities across India.

- ◆ **2006**
- **March:** Bombs in a train station and a temple in Varanasi leave 20 people dead.
- **July:** A series of seven high-powered blasts on suburban trains in India's business capital Mumbai kill 187 commuters and leave 800 injured.
- **September:** Thirty-eight people are killed and more than 100 injured in three nearly simultaneous blasts, including one in a mosque, in the town of Malegaon in Maharashtra state.
- ◆ **August, 2007:** At least 40 people killed and more than 50 others injured as two bombs rock a crowded outdoor auditorium and a popular eatery in Hyderabad.
- **November:** At least 13 people die in bombings outside court buildings in three cities in the northern state of

- ◆ **2008**
- **May:** Eight blasts hit the tourist city of Jaipur, killing 65 and injuring 150.
- **July:** A string of 16 or more bombs hit the communally tense city of Ahmedabad killing 45 and injuring over 160.
- **October:** A dozen bomb blasts rip through Guwahati, the main city of northeastern Assam state, killing at least 71 people and injuring more than 300.
- **Nov 26-29:** Ten gunmen, armed with explosive devices, launch a coordinated attack on various high-profile targets in Mumbai, killing 166 people.
- ◆ **February 13, 2010:** A bomb blast rips through the popular German Bakery eatery in the western city of Pune, killing 16 people, including several foreigners.
- ◆ **July, 2011:** Triple bomb blasts targeting diamond and jewellery trading districts in Mumbai leave 26 people dead.

## Getting close to Kilimanjaro

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kills it". Needless to say, it evokes much laughter among his audience.

Today (September 6) we will leave Dar-es-Salaam for Moshi, a small town at the foot of Mt. Kilimanjaro, a prospect which gives us mental peace.

Till now, whenever we sought help from anybody here or received any service in exchange for money we have been ripped off. After buying a packet of pineapple juice from a big shopping mall we found that the product was ten months past its expiration date!

Then there was the man in a Kilimanjaro Express uniform at the bus stand who took money from us saying he would "take care" of our mountaineers' bags in the locker.

However, we have also met some good people. The supervisor of the bus is a girl named Lulu. She is smart and quick in doing her job. When we told her about paying money to the Kilimanjaro staff she had a good laugh. She also helped by giving us some much-needed advice.

There was also a selfless youth named Israel who travelled with us to Moshi, helping us immensely by providing valuable information for our journey.

Moshi is about 600 kilometres from Dar-es-Salaam by road but it is only an eight-hour journey. The driver drove cool headedly at speeds approaching 140 km/hour. He did not take any risks at all. Not once did he overtake another vehicle without being completely sure that there were no vehicles approaching on the opposite side.

It reminded me of the bus and truck drivers back in Bangladesh, and the labour leaders-turned-ministers who say that being able to distinguish between cows and goats is enough to get a driving licence.

Most of the area in Tanzania is hilly. After passing through a few towns a vast area of hilly landscape announced its magnificent presence. On the way we found mango trees in full bloom, and different types of trees

including the fruit-bearing blackberry, jackfruit and coconut trees.

Our journey started at 8:30 in the morning. We stopped at a restaurant for lunch. As we tucked into the food -- beef steak and French fries -- we felt like the African lions shown on National Geographic channel as we chewed on the partly raw steaks.

The journey through provided a fantastic opportunity to take in the African landscape to our hearts' content. There were barren lands all around, punctuated by huge trees, and in my mind's eye I was envisioning baboons, buffaloes, impalas, giraffes, zebras, deer, lions, leopards, hyenas, rhinos, etc. all roaming about. Occasionally an elephant or giraffe herd will lazily cross the road and the bus will stop to allow them their way.

Our bus reached Moshi town on time, and Mt Kibo came into view. As we got off the bus, its highest peak became visible to us from the YMCA hostel. That peak is Kilimanjaro. We

collected information about Kilimanjaro and the service charge for reaching the mountain from Immanuel, who has opened an office at the hostel.

When leaving Dar-es-Salaam, Khadija informed her sister Duriya about our expedition to Kilimanjaro. Duriya brought Isaac to us. He is a physical trainer and guide for adventure sports at the school where Duriya works. Isaac himself has conquered the peak of Kilimanjaro 86 times. We took him as our guide.

Night descended and we held a brief meeting. Duriya and her husband Akbar took us for dinner to the posh Moshi Club. Before that we had samucha, tikka and roast at their house. MA Sattar quipped, "When you are with the Moghul, you have to dine with him."

We took our seats at the lawn of Moshi Club and had French fries and sea fish cutlet there. We need one more day to prepare the climb to Kilimanjaro. After that, we will be on the trail.

## Delhi Police got intel alert on threat

IANS, New Delhi

Delhi Police got intelligence inputs on terror threats in July this year, Home Minister P Chidambaram said yesterday, as 11 people were killed in a bomb attack at the Delhi High Court.

He also told the Lok Sabha that the blast occurred although the capital was on high alert in view of parliament session and the increased police capacity.

Chidambaram said the investigation will be handed over to the National Investigation Agency (NIA), but it was not possible to identify the group that exploded the bomb.

The minister made the statement after Speaker Meira Kumar, soon after the house met, condemned the terror attack.

She adjourned the house for about over an hour after a demand was made by Bharatiya Janata Party leader LK Advani, expressing deep concern and outrage over the blast.

Samajwadi Party chief Mulayam Singh Yadav, Communist Party of India-Marxist leader Basudeb Acharya and Janata Dal-United chief Sharad Yadav voiced similar sentiments.

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**“নিলাম দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি”**

০১)	এজেন্সী / প্রতিষ্ঠানের নাম	আওগঞ্জ পাওয়ার স্টেশন কোম্পানী লিমিটেড (এপিএসসিএল)।
০২)	কাজের নাম	আওগঞ্জ পাওয়ার স্টেশন কোম্পানী লিমিটেড (এপিএসসিএল) -এর পুরাতন ও ব্যবহার অযোগ্য ৭২০ কেভিএ ক্ষমতা সম্পন্ন ০১ (একটি) সেন্ট্রাল ডিজেল জেনারেটর (যেখানে যে অবস্থায় আছে) নিলামে বিক্রয় করণ।
০৩)	দরপত্র প্রস্তুতকারীর যোগাযোগ	বাংলাদেশের যে কোন ব্যক্তি / প্রতিষ্ঠান।
০৪)	দরপত্র সিডিউলের মূল্য	টাকা ৮০০.০০ (আটশত) মাত্র (অক্রেতবোধ্য)
০৫)	কাজের সমাপনসীমা	বিক্রয়াদেশ ইস্যুর তারিখ হইতে ৩০ (ত্রিশ) দিন
০৬)	দরপত্র প্রাপ্তির স্থান	ক) বিভাগীয় কমিশনার -এর দপ্তর, চট্টগ্রাম বিভাগ, চট্টগ্রামী রোড, চট্টগ্রাম। খ) প্রধান প্রকৌশলী (উৎপাদন) -এর দপ্তর, মিউবো, গুয়াপাড়া ভবন, মতিঝিল বাণিজ্যিক এলাকা, ঢাকা। গ) ব্যবস্থাপক (অর্থ), আওগঞ্জ পাওয়ার স্টেশন কোম্পানী লিমিটেড, আওগঞ্জ, বি-বাড়ীয়া।
০৭)	দরপত্র দাখিল ও খোলার স্থান	ব্যবস্থাপক (প্রকিউরমেন্ট), আওগঞ্জ পাওয়ার স্টেশন কোম্পানী লিমিটেড, আওগঞ্জ, বি-বাড়ীয়া।
০৮)	দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের সর্বশেষ তারিখ ও সময়	০৪/১০/২০১১ইং তারিখ অফিস চলাকালীন সময় পর্যন্ত।
০৯)	দরপত্র দাখিলের সর্বশেষ তারিখ ও সময়	০৫/১০/২০১১ইং তারিখ বেলা ১২ঃ০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত।
১০)	দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	০৫/১০/২০১১ইং তারিখ বেলা ১২ঃ১৫ ঘটিকা।
১১)	দরপত্র জামানতের পরিমাণ	দরপত্র জামানত হিসাবে উক্ত দরের ২৫% টাকা আওগঞ্জ পাওয়ার স্টেশন কোম্পানী লিমিটেড, আওগঞ্জ, বি-বাড়ীয়া -এর অনুকূলে বাংলাদেশের যে কোন সিডিউল ব্যাংক হইতে ব্যাংক ড্রাফট / পে-অর্ডার আকারে দরপত্র দাখিলের সহিত অবশ্যই দাখিল করিতে হইবে। অন্যথায় প্রাপ্ত দরপত্র সরাসরি বাতিল বলিয়া গণ্য হইবে।
১২)	শর্তাবলী	ক) দরপত্র সিডিউলের মূল্য আওগঞ্জ পাওয়ার স্টেশন কোম্পানী লিমিটেড, আওগঞ্জ, বি-বাড়ীয়া -এর অনুকূলে বাংলাদেশে যে কোন সিডিউল ব্যাংক হইতে ব্যাংক ড্রাফট / পে-অর্ডার আকারে মাধ্যমে পরিশোধ সাপেক্ষে জর করিতে হইবে। খ) বর্ণিত কাজটি দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তির নির্দেশনা, তফসিলের বর্ণনা / স্পেসিফিকেশন / ডেলিভারী কমিটির পরামর্শ এবং দরপত্র সিডিউলের সহিত সংযুক্ত শর্তাবলী মোতাবেক সম্পন্ন করিতে হইবে। গ) সিডিউলের প্রকৃতি পৃষ্ঠায় দরদাতাগণের নাম, স্বাক্ষর, তারিখ, ঠিকানা, টেলিফোন ও সীল (প্রত্যেকের ক্ষেত্রে) থাকিতে হইবে। ঘ) কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকেই যে কোন অথবা সকল নিলাম দরপত্র গ্রহণ / বাতিল, সরোধন বা এতদসংক্রান্ত যে কোন সিদ্ধান্ত গ্রহণের ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।
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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)**  
**PROMOTION OF DEVELOPMENT AND CONFIDENCE BUILDING**  
**IN THE CHITTAGONG HILL TRACTS (CHT)**

The Chittagong Hill Tracts Development Facility (CHTDF), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Bangladesh, seeks proposals from interested and well qualified organizations in response to the following RFP in the CHT.

**"RFP for Cleaning & Electrical Services at CHTDF, UNDP Offices in three (3) Districts of Chittagong Hill Tracts"**

All interested organizations are requested to attend a **pre-bid meeting** to be held on **Thursday, 15th September, 2011 at 10 am** at conference Room, Building 2, CHTDF, Rajbari Road, Rangamati. Maximum two (2) participants from each organization are allowed.

The RFP along with the instructions for submission can be downloaded from UNDP website: [http://www.undp.org.bd/proc\\_more.php](http://www.undp.org.bd/proc_more.php). The deadline for proposal submission is **Thursday, 22nd September, 2011 04:30 pm** (Local Time)