Embassy of India Kabul

KAB/815/2/07-Pt October 3, 2007

SECURITY ADVISORY

- Suicide attack in Kabul
- IED Attack against IM Convoy

Details

On October 2, 2007 at 0700 hours a Ministry of Interior shuttle bus traveling from Qargha area towards the city was targeted by a suicide bomber at Charahi Qanbar Bazaar, Police District 5, Kabul city. The bomber apparently entered the front door of the bus and detonated himself resulting in the death of 14 persons, which include 8 Ministry of Interior Police Personnel, a woman, four children and the suicide bomber. Nine civilians in the vicinity were also injured in the explosion. One FAO vehicle was slightly damaged in the blast. There were no injuries to the UN staff traveling in that vehicle.

- 2. Earlier on October 1, 2007 in Police District 15, North of Kabul International Airport, an IED attack was reported against an International Military convoy on the back road north of the Airport. However, there were no casualties.
- 3. As advised from time to time, in view of an increase in the militant activities of all kinds, all Indian nationals in Afghanistan are advised to remain extra vigilant at all times for their own safety and security. It is also reiterated that a safe distance must be maintained from Afghan Military and Police/NATO/CF convoys/busses as these continue to remain primary targets of militants. Indians are also requested to keep themselves aware about the security scenario in the country through local visual/print media as well as through interaction with their fellow colleagues in various organizations. To ensure your safety and security a fixed pattern of movement in the city may also be avoided.

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<u>All Indians in Afghanistan</u> (Through Email)