## Embassy of India Kabul

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## **SECURITY ADVISORY**

- Threat of possible attacks during celebration of 17<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mujahedeen Victory over the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan
- Threat of possible attacks in Kabul city

## Details

The 17<sup>th</sup> anniversary to celebrate the **Mujahedeen Victory over the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan** would be held in different parts of Afghanistan including Kabul on **April 28, 2009**. The ceremony would be attended by the politicians, senior officials and international dignitaries. It may be mentioned here that on April 27, 2008 insurgents mounted attacks by firing rockets and automatic rifles on the 16<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations at Ghazni Stadium, Kabul city; being attended by the Afghan president and many political personalities, ambassadors and international dignitaries.

- 2. Possibilities of such attacks on the ceremony during this year could not be ruled out. The following information suggests that militants have plans to carryout attacks in the city:
- A suicide bomber (age 23 years) has been tasked to carryout attack during the Mujahedeen Victory celebrations. Further, two suicide bombers are reportedly in Bagrami district of Kabul province and have been tasked to target the Afghan National Security Forces during the occasion. It is also learnt that RPGs have been placed in the area of Musahi district of Kabul to be used to attack local community on the day of above celebration.
- A Vehicle Borne IED (VBIED –Toyota Corolla) bomber has reportedly been deployed to target ANSF or IM forces in Kabul city.
- 3. In view of continuing grave threat inputs, all Indians staying in Kabul and other parts of Afghanistan are requested to maintain extra vigilance during the Mujahedeen Day celebrations. It is also requested that unnecessary movement to the crowded areas; including government buildings, may please be curtailed. It is also suggested to constantly change your route/timings within the city so as not to form a fixed pattern of movement. Keeping a safe distance from International Military/ANA/ANP convoys is again reiterated, as they continue to be a target of militants.

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**<u>All Indians in Afghanistan</u>** (through Email)