Embassy of India Kabul

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SECURITY ADVISORY

• Suicide attack in Kabul on June 16, 2007

<u>Details</u>

Today, on June 16, 2007 at around 0850 hours, a suicide bomber blew his explosive laden car near a three vehicle NATO convoy in crowded market/residential area of Fazil Beg, Police district 5, in western outskirts of Kabul city. In the explosion, four civilians were killed and five others injured including one foreign soldier. An ISAF vehicle was slightly damaged. Seven civilian cars were also damaged and window panes of the nearby shops shattered as a result of the blast. During 2007, this is the fifth suicide attack in Kabul city.

2. In view of an overall increase in militant activity, all Indian nationals in Afghanistan are advised to remain extra vigilant at all times and avoid unnecessary exposure/movement during road journeys for their own safety and security. It is once again reiterated that they must maintain a safe distance from Military/Police/NATO/CF convoys as these have continued 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 fellow colleagues in various organizations.

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