# This Week in Terrorism

09/10/2018-09/16/2018

Total Attacks: 38 Total Killed: 153 Total Injured: 128

From last week attacks increased by 111%, fatalities increased by 178%, and injuries increased by 100%.

Source

### Largest Attack

For the second week in a row, the week's largest attack happened in Afghanistan. A suicide bomber targeted a protest in Jalalabad, killing 32 and injuring 128. The Taliban has distanced itself from the attack, but both they and the Islamic State have been the most active groups in the area.

Source

## Attackers

Abu Sayyaf are suspected in one attack this week in Sabah, Malaysia, where a fisherman was abducted.

Al-Shabaab claimed two attacks and are suspected in two more. On Monday, a suicide car bomber targeted local government headquarters in Mogadishu's Hodan neighborhood. Al-Shabaab claimed the attack. On Friday in Garissa County, Kenya, suspected Al-Shabaab militants forced three travelers off a bus and asked them to recite Muslim prayers. Two of them failed, and the militants executed them. The next day, suspected Al-Shabaab militants shot two graduate students to death in Bosaso, Somalia. Also on Saturday, a bomb exploded under a Somali MP's car, killing his driver in Mogadishu.

Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters (BIFF) are suspected in two attacks this week, both in the Philippines. On Sunday, an IED exploded at a bar in Poblacion, but left no casualties. The same day, an IED in Apopong injured seven.

Boko Haram are suspected in two attacks this week, both in Nigeria. On Friday, militants attacked Modu Ajiri and Bulama Kayiri to steal livestock. Eight people were killed. On Sunday, attackers ambushed a Nigerian army patrol in Bama Town.

The Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) claimed two attacks this week and are suspected in six more. On Monday, suspected ISIS militants abducted and killed four civilians in Khanaqin, Afghanistan. The same day, a suicide bomb

outside a hospital in Anbar, Iraq killed one and injured three. Also on Monday, ISIS claimed responsibility for attacking an oil company in Tripoli. The next day, Tripoli was attacked again when suspected ISIS militants fired rockets at an airport. On Wednesday, an IED exploded on a bus near a bus stop in Hajaj, Iraq, killing five and injuring thirty-two. The same day an IED hit a police vehicle in Shargat, Iraq, killing one and injuring two. A final IED attack on Wednesday killed one and injured two in Al-Rutbah. On Sunday, an ISIS-claimed counteroffensive in Deir-Ez-Zor, Syria killing twenty.

The **Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS)** and the **Taliban** are both being blamed for an attack in which a suicide bomber targeted a protest in <u>Jalalabad</u>, killing 32 and injuring 128. This was the week's largest attack.

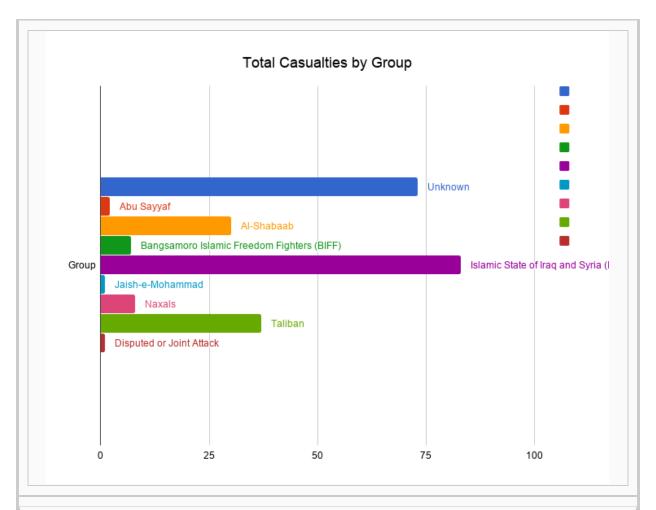
**Jaish-e-Mohammad** are suspected in one attack this week in <u>Katra</u>, India where militants shot at a military vehicle and then fled into the woods. One person was injured.

Lashkar-e-Taiba claimed an attack in Heff, India, where an IED injured five people.

Naxals are suspected in four attacks this week, all in India. On Wednesday, militants shot at a patrol in Narayanpur, but left no casualties. The next day a man was beaten to death in nearby Abhujmad by a group of about thirty naxals. On Friday, an IED killed two people in Metagudem. Another IED the next day in Sukma killed one and injured four.

The **Taliban** are suspected in one attack in <u>Farah</u>, Afghanistan, where militants conducted a series of raids on security checkpoints.

Twelve attacks were carried out by unknown attackers.



## Regions

#### Middle East

Afghanistan suffered four attacks this week. On Monday, suspected ISIS militants abducted and killed four civilians in Khanaqin, Afghanistan. The next day, a suicide bomber targeted a protest in Jalalabad, killing 32 and injuring 128. This was the week's largest attack. On Thursday, a suicide car bomb targeted a police station in Lashkargah, killing one and injuring two. On Friday, in Farah, Afghanistan, suspected Taliban militants conducted a series of raids on security checkpoints.

Iraq suffered six attacks this week. On Monday, a suicide bomb outside a hospital in Anbar killed one and injured three. On Wednesday, an IED exploded on a bus near a bus stop in Hajaj, killing five and injuring thirty-two. The same day an IED hit a police vehicle in Shargat, killing one and injuring two. A final IED attack on Wednesday killed one and injured two in Al-Rutbah. ISIS is suspected in all four attacks. On Saturday an IED killed six paramilitary fighters in Al-Zor. The next day a car bomb injured one civilian in Baghdad.

**Israel** was hit by two attacks this week. On Tuesday militants threw a pipe bomb at a police station in <u>Abu Dis</u>, but left no casualties. On Sunday, a man was stabbed to death in <u>Gush Etzion</u>. There has been no claim of responsibility for

either attack.

**Syria** suffered two attacks this week. On Thursday, a suicide attack in <u>Tel Hamis</u> killed a motorist and injured a twelve-year-old. On Sunday, an ISIS-claimed counteroffensive in <u>Deir-Ez-Zor</u>, Syria killing twenty.

Africa

**Burkina Faso** suffered its first attack since March. In <u>Kompienga</u>, one group of gunmen stormed a religious leader's house while militants on mopeds attacked a family. In total, eight were killed and two injured.

**Kenya** was hit by one attack in <u>Garissa County</u>, where suspected Al-Shabaab militants forced three travelers off a bus and asked them to recite Muslim prayers. Two of them failed, and the militants executed them.

**Libya** suffered two attacks this week. On Monday, ISIS claimed responsibility for attacking an oil company in <u>Tripoli</u>. The next day, <u>Tripoli</u> was attacked again when suspected ISIS militants fired rockets at an airport.

Nigeria was hit by two attacks this week, both attributed to Boko Haram. On Friday, militants attacked Modu Ajiri and Bulama Kayiri to steal livestock. Eight people were killed. On Sunday, attackers ambushed a Nigerian army patrol in Bama Town.

Somalia suffered three attacks, all connected to Al-Shabaab. On Monday, a suicide car bomber targeted local government headquarters in Mogadishu's <a href="Hodan">Hodan</a> neighborhood. Al-Shabaab claimed the attack. On Saturday, suspected Al-Shabaab militants shot two graduate students to death in <a href="Bosaso">Bosaso</a>. Also on Saturday, a bomb exploded under a Somali MP's car, killing his driver in <a href="Mogadishu">Mogadishu</a>.

#### Asia-Pacific

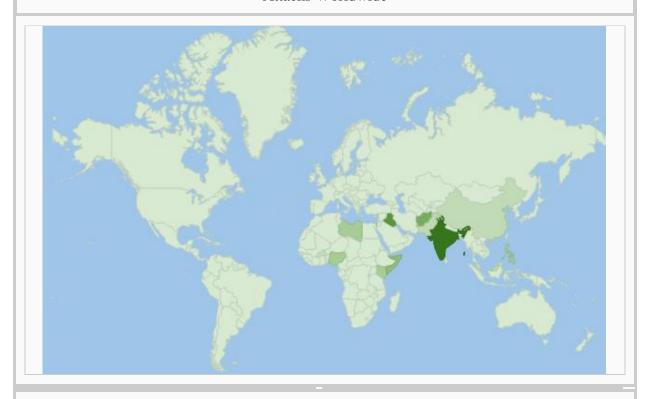
China suffered its second attack this year when an SUV slammed into a crowd in <a href="Hengdong">Hengdong</a>, killing eleven and injuring forty-four.

India was hit by nine attacks this week, the most of any country. On Wednesday, militants shot at a patrol in Narayanpur, but left no casualties. The same day, one person was injured in Katra where militants shot at a military vehicle and then fled into the woods. Jaish-e-Mohammad are suspected in the attack. A series of grenade attacks also occurred on Wednesday. One targeted a joint army-police base in Tahab, another was aimed a police station in Sopore, and another at a police station in Pattan. None of the attacks were claimed, and none left any casualties. The next day a man was beaten to death in Abhujmad by a group of about thirty Naxals. On Friday, an IED killed two people in Metagudem. Another IED the next day in Sukma killed one and injured four. Finally, an an IED attack in Heff, five people on Sunday.

Malaysia suffered it first attack of the year in Sabah, where a fisherman was abducted.

Pakistan was hit by one attack this week in <u>Pashi</u>, where a roadside bomb targeted a security convoy, killing three. The **Philippines** suffered two attacks this week. Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters (BIFF) are suspected in both. On Sunday, an IED exploded at a bar in <u>Poblacion</u>, but left no casualties. The same day, an IED in <u>Apopong</u> injured seven.

#### Attacks Worldwide



### Our Solution

We believe that education is the key to a better future. Rise to Peace (R2P) is a 503c organization focused on empowering peace, education and tolerance as tools to eliminate extremist ideology. Our Active Intelligence Database is an initiative created by the Rise To Peace team in an effort to spread information and facilitate education on the threat of global terrorism. We record daily global terrorist attacks with our innovative Active Intelligence Database, used by world class researchers. Please clickhere for more information. All donations are tax deductible.