This Week in Terrorism

06/04/2018-06/10/2018

Total Attacks: 42 Total Killed: 100 Total Injured: 169

From last week attacks decreased by 26% fatalities increased by 10%, and injuries increased by 71%.

Source

Summary of Attacks

Largest

Six people were killed and thirty-seven more injured in this week's largest attack. A mosque in the Nigerian town of Diffa was targeted by three suicide bombers, one man and two girls, Monday evening after breaking the Ramadan fast. No claim of responsibility has been made, but Boko Haram is active in the region and has used similar tactics in the past.

Source

Attackers

Al-Badr and Jaish-e-Mohammad both claimed two separate attacks in Jammu and Kashmir on Monday. The first attack, in Batapora Chowk, saw sixteen people injured when militants threw a grenade at a police patrol, but missed and hit a crowd of civilians in a market. Later that day in Tahab Chowk, another grenade attack on a CPRF detachment injured seven. Though Al-Badr has existed since 1998, these attacks are its first in the last several years.

Al-Shabaab claimed three attacks this week. On Tuesday, two lawmakers from Hirshabelle were killed along with ten of their bodyguards in an Al-Shabaab ambush in Elka Gelow outside Mogadishu. On Wednesday morning, five police officers were killed and three more injured in Liboi, Kenya when their convoy ran over an IED. On Saturday, a car bomb injured seven in a Somali military base in Kismayo.

Ansar al-Sunna, a new group, carried out one of its first attacks on Tuesday in Naude, Mozambique when militants burnt down a village and killed seven of its inhabitants with machetes.

Boko Haram is suspected in four attacks this week. On Monday, six people were killed and thirty-seven more injured in a suicide attack on a mosque in the <u>Diffa</u>, Niger. Three bombers, one man and two girls,

attacked in the evening after breaking the Ramadan fast. On Thursday, militants entered a village in <u>Djalingo</u>, Cameroon, and shot its district chief and two other members of his household. When other villagers came to investigate, the attackers killed three more before being confronted by self-defense forces. On Saturday, a suicide bomber attempted to attack a market in <u>Maiduguri</u>, Nigeria, but detonated his vest too early by mistake, leaving no casualties besides himself. On Sunday, in <u>Mubi</u>, Nigeria, one boy was killed and two others injured when they uncovered a bomb while scavenging in a dump site.

The Islamic State in Iraq and Syria (ISIS) claimed four attacks and are suspected in five more. On Monday in Kabul, a suicide bomber attacked the Afghan Ulema Council, a meeting of senior clerics that had just condemned suicide attacks and the insurgency as 'haram'. Fourteen people were killed. ISIS claimed responsibility and denounced the 'tyrant clerics' denunciation of suicide attacks. That same day in Syria, suspected ISIS militants launched an assault on Al-Baghuz. resulting in an unknown number of casualties. Also on Monday, in Mastung, Pakistan, two suicide bombers attacked a security post, killing three officers and injuring two more. ISIS claimed the attack. On Tuesday, in Al-Farhatia, Iraq, two members of progovernment forces were killed and four injured by suspected ISIS gunmen. On Thursday, suspected ISIS militants attacked Ashtokan, a Kurdish village in Iraq killing one and injuring one more. The same day, seventeen pro-regime fighters were killed in a suspected ISIS attack in As-Suwayda, Syria. On Friday, two suicide bombers attacked the home of MP Feridon Momand in Jalalabad, Afghanistan. Three were killed and two injured, but Momand was not home at the time and was thus unharmed. ISIS claimed responsibility. On Saturday one civilian was killed by a suspected ISIS landmine while leaving Raqqa, Syria. On Sunday, in Al-Khalis, Iraq, one person was killed and twenty-three more injured in an ISIS bomb blast targeting a market in a predominantly Shia area.

Jaish-e-Mohammad claimed one undisputed attack in <u>Sopore</u>, India, where a police vehicle was damaged by an IED explosion. No one was injured.

Lashkar-e-Taiba claimed an attack on an army base in <u>Hajin</u>, India on Tuesday, which killed three with grenades and gunfire.

The **New People's Army (NPA)** claimed one attack and are suspected in four more, all in the Philippines. On Monday, in <u>Silang</u>, on soldier was killed and two more injured when their vehicle was hit by a landmine, and they were attacked by gunmen. The NPA claimed responsibility for the attack. The same day in <u>Mabbayad</u>, six more soldiers were injured when their patrol was shot at by suspected NPA militants. On Tuesday, another patrol was attacked in <u>Aguid</u>, this time killing one soldier and injuring nine. The same day in <u>Macambol</u>, two men escaped a suspected NPA ambush after their vehicle hit a landmine and they were approached by three men with guns. They managed to get away by running to the seashore and being picked up by a boat. On Sunday, a Philippine soldier and a militiaman were kidnapped by suspected NPA militants in <u>Buso</u>. A search for the victims is still underway.

The PKK are suspected in two attacks, both in Turkey. In Cukurca, four soldiers were injured by a suspected

PKK IED on Wednesday. On Friday in <u>Kabayel</u>, on soldier was killed and three more injured by suspected PKK gunmen.

Fourteen attacks were perpetrated by unknown attackers.

Regions

Middle East

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Iraq was hit by four attacks this week. On Tuesday, in Al-Farhatia, two members of pro-government forces were killed and four injured by gunmen. On Thursday, militants attacked Ashtokan, a Kurdish village, killing one and injuring one more. ISIS is suspected in both attacks, and claimed responsibility for one on Sunday, in Al-Khalis, where one person was killed and twenty-three more injured in a bomb blast targeting a market in a predominantly Shia area. One attack in Kirkuk remains unattributed. A bomb went off in a market near a mosque and another exploded near a coffee shop, while a missile was fired at a school. Ultimately, one person was killed and eighteen more injured.

Syria suffered five attacks this week. On Monday militants launched an assault on Al-Baghuz. resulting in an unknown number of casualties. On Thursday, seventeen pro-regime fighters were killed in an attack in As-Suwayda, Syria. On Saturday one civilian was killed by a suspected ISIS landmine while leaving Raqqa, Syria. ISIS is suspected in all three. The two remaining attacks are still unattributed. On Monday, a car bomb exploded near a Syrian Democratic Forces checkpoint in Ayn Issa, killing one. On Sunday, a Syrian rebel commander was killed and his escort injured by an IED that targeted their vehicle in al-Hirak.

Africa

Cameroon suffered on attack when on Thursday, militants entered a village in <u>Djalingo</u>, and shot its district chief and two other members of his household. When other villagers came to investigate, the attackers killed three more before being confronted by self-defense forces.

Kenya was hit by one attack On Wednesday morning, when five police officers were killed and three more

injured in Liboi when their convoy ran over an IED.

Mali suffered one attack on Saturday in <u>Boni</u>, when three soldiers were killed in an attack on an army camp. Soldiers fought back and killed thirteen of the attackers.

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Somalia suffered two attacks this week, both claimed by Al-Shabaab. On Tuesday, two lawmakers from Hirshabelle were killed along with ten of their bodyguards in an ambush in Elka Gelow outside Mogadishu. On Saturday, a car bomb injured seven in a Somali military base in Kismayo.

Asia-Pacific

India suffered ten attacks this week, the most of any other country for the fourth week running. On Monday, Al-Badr and Jaish-e-Mohammad both claimed two separate attacks in Jammu and Kashmir. The first attack, in Batapora Chowk, saw sixteen people injured when militants threw a grenade at a police patrol, but missed and hit a crowd of civilians in a market. Later that day in Tahab Chowk, another grenade attack on a CPRF detachment injured seven. Another Monday attack in Sopore, India, was claimed by Jaish-e-Mohammad alone, where a police vehicle was damaged by an IED explosion. No one was injured. Two more Monday attacks were carried out by unknown groups. In Gondial, militants threw a grenade at former MLA Nabin Nanda's car at a political rally. No one was injured, but the vehicle was damaged. Meanwhile, in Hajin, two or three militants attempted to abduct a farmer from his paddy field, but were chased away by other villagers. The next day, Hajin was attacked again when Lashkar-e-Taiba claimed an assault on an army base which killed three with grenades and gunfire. Also on Tuesday, Sopore was attacked for a second time as well. Again, an IED targeted a vehicle, this time an army vehicle and not a police car, but left no casualties. Finally on Tuesday, a police officer in Srinagar was attacked by militants who tried to steal his weapon. The officer fought them off and no one was injured. On Thursday, unknown militants attacked an Indian Army patrol in Keran, leaving two soldiers injured. On Saturday in Bandipora, another army patrol was shot at, this time leaving no casualties.

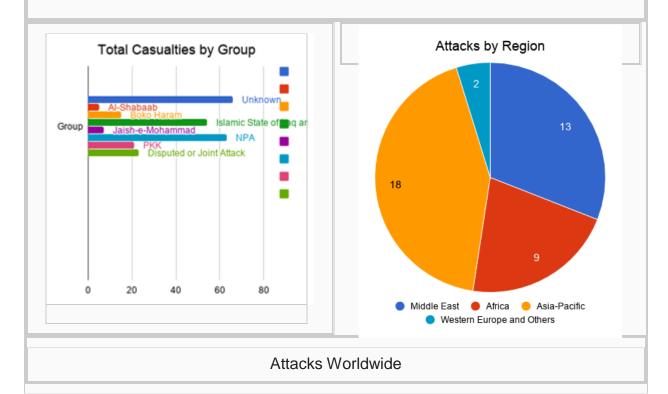
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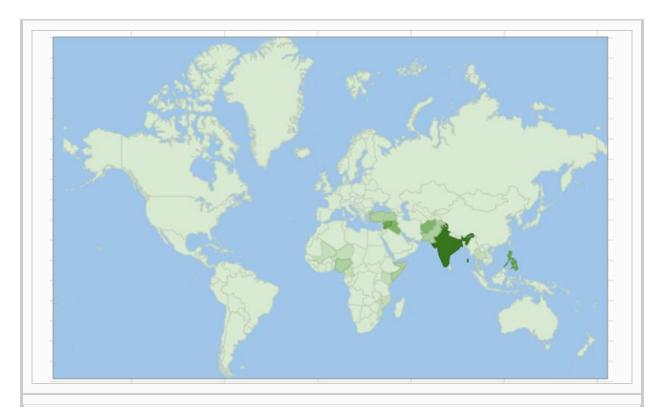
three people, including two policemen, were killed and two more injured when a police vehicle was targeted by an IED.

Thailand was ht by one attack in <u>Bacho</u>, where militants shot and threw grenades at the 33rd Ranger Regiment's Company 3311 early Monday morning.

Western Europe and Others

Turkey suffered two attacks this week; the PKK is suspected in both. In <u>Cukurca</u>, four soldiers were injured by a suspected PKK IED on Wednesday. On Friday in <u>Kabayel</u>, on soldier was killed and three more injured by suspected PKK gunmen.





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