

# *Nine Police Officers Killed in Central Afghanistan*

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Kabul, January 19 (RHC)-- Security officials in Afghanistan say at least nine police officers have been killed by assailants in police uniforms in the country's central province of Uruzgan.

A spokesman for the provincial governor said the incident took place at a police checkpoint, explaining that the gunmen later stole the weapons of the dead officers before fleeing to join the Taliban militant group.

Meanwhile, Afghan army troopers backed by security forces have killed more than two dozen Taliban militants and wounded over a dozen others in a series of clean-up operations across the strife-torn country.

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