

# *At Least 30 Killed in Huge Explosion Near Hospital in Syria*

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Damascus, August 20 (RHC)-- Dozens of people have reportedly been killed in a huge bomb explosion targeting pro-government forces in southwestern Syria. The bomb attack on Wednesday hit a hospital in Harasta, a town located around 10 kilometers from the capital Damascus, killing at least 30 people and injuring dozens of others, Sky News Arabia reported.

The attack came only a few hours after a car bomb blew up among a gathering of Kurdish forces located in the northeastern Syrian province of Hasakeh near the border with Turkey. The Takfiri Daesh terrorist group said it was behind the morning attack which killed 16 people, including six civilians.

The foreign-sponsored conflict in Syria, which flared up in March 2011, has reportedly claimed more than 240,000 lives up until now. The United Nations says the fighting has displaced more than 7.2 million Syrians internally, and forced over four million others to take refuge in neighboring countries, including Jordan and Lebanon.

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