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Military operation conducted to retake Mirza Olang

The ministry of defense has announced that military operations have been conducted to retake Mirza Olang district, a move resulted in killing and wounding 17 insurgents so far.

The spokesperson of the ministry of defense, Davlat Waziri said, "Two operations were launched on Mirza Olang district on Friday, resulting in killing 11 Taliban fighters."

During the operation, two other soldiers have been injured, he said.

According to the government on Wednesday, the Taliban command on had also been taking firing attacks.

Earlier, Zakhidullah Ismail said that the operations have been conducted from the air as ground, during which two check-points have been retained from the Taliban, whom suffered heavy losses as well.

The operation was conducted after one week since the military has been attacked by the Taliban whom had also reportedly contained a massacre threat.

The Taliban earlier killing, only sun, the government propaganda, but added they have killed 28 annual men of 'People Uprising'.

War crime Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission collected killing victims in Mirza Olang an informant and crew act, adding the crime has forced many families to leave their homes.

The commission asked the government and Taliban against to identify those behind this campaign and bring them to justice.

Criticism: Daily in conduct military operation has caused the people criticisms particularly in social media, as the days ago, the president said he would change the course of Mirza Olang mission.

A number of those who sought refuge in Sar-e-Pul city said the operation was conducted while they were sleeping.

An elder of Mirza Olang said the problem would not be solved if the operation's aim is to only make the area, adding the Taliban have made a strong there in Shahr-e-Naw district that would seriously threaten that district once again.

At the same time, one of members of National Solidarity Party said, "The Taliban have earlier staged a demonstration in the capital Kabul, criticizing the related officials for failure in the respect."

Mirza Olang valley fallen to insurgents last week. The Sar-e-Pul governor said the Taliban and IS fighters have committed crimes against humanity following the villages of the area.

Military commanders said they would continue their crackdown until Mirza Olang is fully cleared of the militants.

Lahloom Souri



Editorial

Mirza Olang tragedy shouldn't be underestimated

Tens of civilians, including women and children have been shot, beheaded and massacred by certain groups, reportedly consisted of both Taliban and Daesh militants in Mirza Olang district of Sar-e-Pul province.

After overrunning local police in Sayad district of the province, a joint and coordinated Taliban and IS fighters stormed Mirza Olang, where they didn't spare even to kill innocent women and children.

The joint and coordinated attack by the two evils — the Taliban and the IS has been seen rare as they have reportedly clashed each other in many parts of the country, but coordination between local and national police force were as weak as they couldn't thwart the rebels plot that led to such a tragic incident.

As many as 50 civilians have been killed by the insurgents in a remote area in Sayad district, where the local police have been reported by their area, after at least two days of battle with more than two hundred storming insurgents.

Through the Taliban by their spokesman denied if the operation was launched in a coordinated plan with the IS and that they had not killed civilians, but the killing of civilian mostly women and children are seen to highlight the nature of the rebels who are by no means reconcilable.

The government should launch a soon probe into the case and should make it clear that neither the Taliban nor the IS are ready to retreat on the innocent civilians.

On the other hand, the village is reportedly inaccessible, as there is no active telephone network to help get an update about the situation and such a deadly situation might happen repeatedly if the security forces could retake the district, but fail to protect it.

Likewise, killing civilians, which has been repeatedly occurred by the Taliban and Daesh, particularly in the recent heartbreaking incident occurred in Mirza Olang district, shouldn't be underestimated. Both the government of Afghanistan and the international community are full aware of the Taliban and Daesh's common nature and intention plots of massacring innocent people. They should also review their plans on the militants by considering their act of killing civilians as war crimes.

There is no different in nature between Taliban — with main training bases and hideouts along the borders with Pakistan, and Daesh — with the main command centers in the Arab country of Syria.

Though, both vie for supremacy and clashed since IS gained a foothold in eastern Afghanistan few years ago, but while seeking common interests, they would team up and share joint goal to deal a blow to the government forces in many certain areas.

Thus, the government forces have to have a coordinated plan against the enemy. They should ruthlessly deal with the brutal militants and make effort to protect civilians. Also, the forces shouldn't remain vigilant of enemy's plots and try to foil them before being launched.

Retaking a district like Mirza Olang of Sar-e-Pul or Lasi Khel of Helmand, would do nothing, unless to be lastingly protected as militants will never remain silent after losing any area to the security forces.

US new strategy to be soon announced

Anal speculation on US strategy in Afghanistan, the US President Donald Trump has recently said his country's new strategy would be soon announced.

According to The Kabul Times correspondent, President Trump has not that coordination on the issue with senior US advisors have been concluded and it would be finalized and released.

President Trump, addressing the media in New Jersey on a charge that the US would have a very big decision to no longer support the US would have important results and would deal with problem on a continuing situation in the country are so well respect this situation.

The US defense secretary James Mattis had already said that Washington new strategy in Afghanistan would be released mid-July. But, differences among senior officials of Trump administration have caused delay of announcement of the strategy.

A number of lawmakers and experts about the Trump administration to announce final decision on Afghanistan soon.

Likewise, Mohammad Hakan Ismail said, "The international community should support this country for many years because agencies or non-support respect the US would have important results and would deal with problem on a continuing situation in the country are so well respect this situation. The US claim of identifying a confusing situation is their indicator of the world community's ineffectiveness in Afghanistan."

Political commentator Ali Rahmani believes this is good news for Afghan people that the world would not have been done. It would be a good opportunity for the country's future stability. So, death global particularly US supports are very important for Afghanistan.

The Afghan people expect there to meet regarding the social, training centers and service sectors in new chapter of the development. It would result in sustainable development and stability in this country.

Surya Babanda



Press Review

The **Kan Daily**: Having in the wake of former leader of Taliban Mullah Akhtar Mansour in Pakistan is an editorial review. Quoting an authority of Taliban in a fresh report, the New York Times has written that the members of Mullah Akhtar has taken place in collaboration with the intelligence services of Pakistan. Because, Mullah Akhtar was making effort to begin peace talks with the government of Afghanistan.

So, it indicates that this country is always endeavoring to create security and stability in Afghanistan.

The **Black Daily**: Editorially demanding for proclamation of the US new strategy before Afghanistan and writes with posing of above or results from the establishment of new government of the US led by President Trump, this country didn't proclaim its war strategy before Afghanistan so far. But the country's aim of Afghanistan, near this country to make a decision in the connection as soon as possible.

Because delay in this strategy would cause increment of war in Afghanistan, the editorial accused.

The **Breast Daily**: In an article reporting about occupying of Mirza Olang through beginning of operation, writes the authorities in ministry of national defense say that they began operation for recapturing Mirza Olang area.

The article adds, these operations took place through air and land on neighborhoods of the government opponents and in these operations, heavy losses have been inflicted on them as well.

It is a great success for Afghan security forces, the article said.

The **Worse Daily**: The present state critical from activities of high peace council and in an article writes so far this council made efforts through negligence till the necessary policy on the is prepared for operations with Taliban, that, because of outside meddling and non-cooperation of regional countries, the peace process of Afghanistan had no suitable results behind, the Daily mentioned.

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