

Osama Bin Laden had prior knowledge of 2008 Mumbai attacks: Book

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Islamabad: Al Qaeda chief Osama bin Laden had prior information of the 2008 terror attack at Mumbai, a new book has said.

The book "Pakistan's secret war on Al-Qaeda" said that bin Laden had prior knowledge of the 2008 Mumbai attack.

"He wanted to establish an Al Qaeda state in Pakistan following the breakout of full-scale war between the two nuclear armed neighbours," reported Dawn, citing the book.

The revelations were made in the book authored by Azaz Syed, an investigative journalist and a former correspondent for DawnNews.

As many as 166 people were killed in the November 26-28 Mumbai terror attack mounted by 10 gunmen from Pakistan who sneaked into India and let loose a reign of terror.

One of them, Ajmal Kasab, was caught alive, tried, sentenced to death and executed later.

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