

24 killed in two suicide attacks in Baghdad

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Baghdad: At least 24 people were killed and 61 injured in two suicide car bomb attacks here, a police source said late Saturday.

"The latest reports said that 24 people were killed and 61 others wounded by the two suicide car bomb attacks in Kadhmiah district," the source told Xinhua news agency on condition of anonymity.

The attacks occurred at Baghdad's crowded Adan Square area when one suicide bomber detonated his explosive-laden car, the source said.

Shortly after, another suicide bomber blew up his car bomb some 50 meters away from the site of the first blast, the source added.

Earlier, the source put the toll at 10 and said 20 others were wounded by the two blasts.

Iraq has been witnessing some of the worst violence in years. According to a recent United Nations report, terrorism and violence left at least 12,282 civilians dead and 23,126 injured in 2014, making it the deadliest year since the flare-up of sectarian violence in 2006-2007.

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