Terrorists killed over 700 Iraqis in October: UN

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United Nations: At least 714 Iraqis were killed and 1,269 others wounded in acts of terrorism, violence and armed conflict in October, UN spokesman Stephane Dujarric told reporters here on Monday.

While addressing a daily news briefing here, Dujarric quoted Jan Kubis, the UN secretary-general's special representative for Iraq, as saying that the figures illustrate the suffering of the people of Iraq from terrorism and conflict.

The latest casualty figures were contained in a report from the UN Assistance Mission in Iraq (UNAMI).

UNAMI said in a statement that 559 of those killed in October were civilians, including civilian police, while 155 were members of Iraqi security forces, the Iraqi Interior Ministry's Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) forces and militias fighting alongside the Iraqi army.

The figures do not include casualties in Anbar province, which the UN mission says it could not obtain.

Iraq is currently witnessing a wave of violence. The overall security situation in the Middle East country has deteriorated since the Islamic State terrorist group, many of whose members are foreign militants, took control of parts of Iraq's northern and western regions in June 2014.

The IS has been committing vicious crimes against all ethnic and religious communities in Iraq, including Shias, Sunnis, Kurds, Christians and Yazadi Kurds.

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