22 Militants Killed in Afghan Army Airstrikes

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President Ashraf Ghani said that the Taliban leader along with his ten fighters were killed.

The Taliban insurgent leader killed during the gun battle was identified as Mullah Aliuddin who was appointed as shadow district governor of Police district.

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The suspects are being held in the house and would be dealt with according to the law.

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