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KARUL - Five foreigners have been wounded after their helicopter crashed inside the Marshal Fahim National Defence University in Kabul, an official confirmed on Monday.

Major Gen. Dawlat Waziri, spokesman for the Ministry of Defence, told Pajhwok Afghan News the incident took place in Marshal Fahim University late on Sunday. The helicopter crashed soon after take-off, wounding five foreign contractors. Gen. Waziri had no information about the identities of the injured. A Resolute Support mission spokesman, Tom Griesbach, confirmed the incident. "We are aware of reports regarding the incident at the Marshal Fahim National Defence University." He said "We can confirm the aircraft does not belong to NATO or USFOR-A. No Resolute Support members are involved." (Pajhwok)

5 Foreign Contractors Injured in Kabul Helicopter Crash

JALALABAD - A number of gunmen torched textbooks and other scholastic materials at a historic school in the Momand Dara district of eastern Nangarhar province, officials said on Monday.

Mohammad Abdurahman, education department spokesman, told Pajhwok Afghan News four gunmen torched the warehouse at the Aimal Khan High School on Sunday night. The assailants tied up hands of two watchmen before setting the school warehouse on fire, he said. All books and other important materials of the school were destroyed.

Gunmen Set Ablight School Warehouse in Nangarhar

4 Taliban Killed, 3 Wounded in Kunar Clash

ASADABAD - Four Taliban militants were killed and three others wounded during a clash with security forces in Niaros district of eastern Kunar province, an official said on Monday.

Deputy police chief Lt. Col. Mohammad Zaman Aiaz told Pajhwok Afghan News the clash broke out late on Sunday night when a group of Taliban attacked a security check-post in Bachi locality. In the ensuing clash, at least four assailants were killed and three others wounded. One policeman was killed and several others were wounded in the nighttime battle. (Pajhwok)

Number of Youth Using Crystal Meth 60pc up in Kunar

expensive and easily accessible. He criticized the government and security officials in particular for not taking action to prevent the availability of drugs. He warned Kumar would be turned into a center of drug addicts if the issue was not paid urgent attention.

Gharibullah, a resident of Noorgul district, said one of his brothers was also addicted to crystal meth. His addicted brother could dot work and Chaharullah was the only one in his family to earn money and provide food. He asked the government to treat addicted people and strictly ban narcotics sales in market.

Sadad, 20, who has been using crystal meth for the last six months, says he goes unconscious whenever he uses the drug.

"It has a high intoxication and whenever I use it, it knocks me semi-unconscious, crystal meth is like using cocaine powder, it can be found anywhere and is also cheap," he said.

"We are now addicted to it, we must find money from any possible way to buy the drug, we steal glasses, batteries and people's shoes from mosques to buy narcotics," the youth said.

Hofid, a resident of Asadabad city, urged police to prevent narcotics from being trafficked. (More on P4..)

Notification for Intention to Contract Award

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This notification does not constitute award of contract. The contract shall not be awarded until the notice provided elapsed and complaints, if any received, is addressed in compliance with appeal and review manual.