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A security source, speaking on the condition of anonymity, told Pajhwok Afghan News the blast took place in Ferga area of the district late on Friday.

He said the incident took place after a civilian vehicle struck a landmine. A man, woman were killed and four others were injured. Qari Abdul Ahmid, an eyewitness, said three people, including a woman and a child, were wounded and as a result of blast. Omar Zeik, the governor's spokesman, confirmed the blast and said investigation was underway in this regard.

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