



Alert Summary: Benazir Bhutto Assassination

Date: December 27th,
2007

Location: Rawalpindi,
Pakistan

Selected NIMC Updates:

Several people killed in bombing at Benazir Bhutto rally in Rawalpindi on Thursday. 12/27/07 04:28 PST

At least 24 people killed in explosion following political rally in Rawalpindi. 12/27/07 04:32 PST

Officials report that Benazir Bhutto is in serious condition and undergoing surgery at this time. 12/27/07 05:06 PST

Local media reports former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto has died. 12/27/07 05:32 PST

Violence reported in several major cities throughout Pakistan. 12/27/07 08:17 PST

Media reports most flights to major cities in Pakistan cancelled. 12/27/07 13:28 PST

Political leader Benazir Bhutto buried in Larkana, Sindh on Friday. 12/28/07 08:38 PST

INCIDENT SITUATION

Former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto was assassinated by two unidentified assailants following a rally for the Pakistan Peoples Party in Rawalpindi, Pakistan. The attack occurred as her motorcade was leaving the area after Bhutto addressed her supporters. The former premier was standing through the sunroof of her vehicle when a gunman fired three shots at her and an accomplice detonated explosives that were attached to his body. Approximately twenty-four people were killed and several others were injured. Benazir Bhutto suffered fatal injuries and was rushed to the hospital where she later died.

Supporters across Pakistan reacted violently to the news of Benazir Bhutto's assassination. Violent civil unrest was reported in several major cities in Pakistan, including Rawalpindi, Karachi, Hyderabad, Islamabad, Lahore and Larkana. As a result of the rioting, at least fifty people were killed, 250 cars were burned, and over 300 structures were damaged.

NC4 COVERAGE

NC4 provides ongoing updates to members as the incident unfolds through the NC4 Incident Monitoring Center (NIMC). NIMC analysts follow the incident using official government sources as well as national and local media sources – linking to international news article, “Benazir Bhutto Assassinated”, including images from the scene, eyewitness reports, and video of the attack.