

2 army men killed in Kuki-Chin Nat'l Army attack in Bandarban: ISPR

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Online Desk: Two soldiers of the Bangladesh Army were killed and two officers were injured when members of Kuki-Chin National Army (KNA) detonated an improvised explosive device and opened fire on army personnel in Bandarban's Ruma upazila yesterday, said the Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR) in a press release today.

The KNA members detonated an improvised explosive device (IED) and opened fire on army personnel, the press release said. The release did not contain the identities of the deceased. The killings took place when an army patrol team led by Major Monowar yesterday left Sungsungpara army camp after receiving information about a hideout of armed criminals at Jarulchharipara under the upazila.

As the team reached near Jarulchharipara around 1:55pm, the KNA criminals detonated the IED and started firing indiscriminately, leaving two officers and two soldiers injured, it added. The injured were flown to Combined Military Hospital, Chittagong, where the two soldiers died of their injuries, said the ISPR release, adding the injured officers are receiving treatment at the hospital.

In recent times, the KNA has been trying to create a chaotic environment through criminal activities in the deep forests of Ruma, Rowangchhari and Thanchi upazilas of Bandarban, it added. Army Chief Gen SM Shafiuddin Ahmed offered his deepest condolences to the family members of the slain army personnel.