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Police Thwart Quadcopter Attack on Miryan Police Station in Bannu

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Police in Bannu, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (K-P), successfully foiled a quadcopter attack on the Miryan police station, showcasing their resolve against terrorism. This article explores the incident, the ongoing threat of drone-based attacks, and the need for robust counter-terrorism measures.

On July 27, 2025, K-P police neutralized a drone-borne assault on the Miryan police station in Bannu district, using advanced jamming technology to intercept a quadcopter carrying an improvised explosive device (IED), as reported by Khyber News. Deputy Inspector General (DIG) Sajjad Khan, leading a reinforced police force equipped with armored personnel carriers (APCs) and thermal weapons, confirmed the operation's success, stating, "Our preparedness and public support thwarted the Khawarij's evil

designs,” per a post by @KP_Police1 on X. The term “Khawarij,” used by authorities, refers to extremist groups like the banned Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), which has intensified attacks in the region since breaking a ceasefire in 2022.

This incident marks the sixth quadcopter attack on Miryan police station in a month, highlighting the growing use of commercially available drones by terrorists, according to The Express Tribune. Previous attacks, including one on July 19 that injured two officers, underscore the escalating threat in Bannu, a hotspot for TTP activity. The police’s effective response, bolstered by intelligence-based operations (IBOs), demonstrates their commitment to protecting citizens, but the repeated targeting of the same facility raises concerns about vulnerabilities in K-P’s security infrastructure.

Pakistan faces a relentless wave of terrorism, particularly in K-P and Balochistan, where militants exploit advanced technology to target law enforcement. The government must prioritize equipping forces with cutting-edge counter-drone systems and strengthening regional governance to disrupt terrorist networks. While the Miryan operation is a victory, it underscores the need for a comprehensive strategy to counter TTP’s evolving tactics.

The foiled attack in Bannu reflects the bravery of K-P’s police but also the persistent danger posed by drone-wielding terrorists. Sustained investment in security and community cooperation is critical to restoring peace and ensuring such threats are decisively eliminated.