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**PAKISTAN**

**Federally Administered Tribal Areas**

Tirah Valley:

On 29 November, eight suspected militants were killed in an airstrike in the Tirah Valley of the Khyber tribal region. The identity of those killed has not been verified yet. However, the area is considered as a stronghold of the outlawed Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan and Mangal Bagh's Lashkar-i-Islam.<sup>1</sup>

**Khyber Pakhtunkhwa**

Dera Ismail Khan:

On 26 November, six Pakistani workers working for a Polish oil and gas surveying company were kidnapped. The six Geofizyka Krakow workers were snatched from their vehicles on a road near the village of Drazinda, about 80km from the city of Dera Ismail Khan. No militant group claimed responsibility for the attack.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Ibrahim Shinwari, "Eight killed in Tirah air strikes," *Dawn*, November 30, 2016, accessed December 7, 2016, <http://www.dawn.com/news/1299525/eight-killed-in-tirah-air-strikes>.

<sup>2</sup> "Militants kidnap six oil company employees," *The News*, November 28, 2016, accessed December 7, 2016, <https://www.thenews.com.pk/print/168231-Militants-kidnap-six-oil-company-employees>.