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INDIA: MILITANTS STRIKE KASHMIR

Two civilians and a policeman were killed and 39 people, mostly civilians, were wounded when Islamic separatists detonated a bomb in a crowded market in Indian-controlled Kashmir. A little-known militant group, Al Mansoorin, took responsibility for the explosion, in the town of Bandipore, 20 north of Srinagar. The blast came as security was being tightened for India's Independence Day celebrations on Friday. David Rohde (NYT)

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