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Damaged entrance of Ghazni province (Photo: courtesy Twitter)

Kabul: A powerful quake, measuring 7.5 on the richter scale, struck Afghanistan's Hindu Kush region today and was felt across South Asia.

According to the US Geological Survey, the epicentre of today's quake was near Jarm in Afghanistan's northeast, 250 kilometres from the capital Kabul at a depth of 213.5 km. According to initial reports, there were at least 70 deaths in Afghanistan. The US geological survey in a statistical prediction on its website said there was a one-third chance of the number of fatalities climbing to between 100 and 1,000 people.

The quake that lasted about a minute, shook buildings in Kabul, Islamabad and New Delhi.

Time

1. 2015-10-26 11:16:16 (UTC)
2. 2015-10-26 16:46:16 (UTC+05:30)

## **Nearby Cities**

1. 45km (28mi) E of Farkhar, Afghanistan
2. 55km (34mi) SW of Jarm, Afghanistan

3. 67km (42mi) SSW of Fayzabad, Afghanistan

4. 77km (48mi) ESE of Taloqan, Afghanistan

5. 247km (153mi) NNE of Kabul, Afghanistan

Mild tremors were also felt in some parts of North-West Madhya Pradesh. Gwalior and Chambal revenue divisions, Ratlam, Neemuch, Mandsaur, Ujjain, Agar, Rajgarh, Tikamgarh and Chhattarpur districts experienced minor tremors at around 2.40 PM," Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) Bhopal office director Dr Anupam Kashyapi, said adding there can be aftershocks in MP in next two days. He said there is no need to panic as the epicentre of the quake is far away.

The earthquake, with its epicentre in the Hindukush mountain range in Afghanistan, struck at around 2.40 PM, sending ripples across several states like Jammu and Kashmir, Delhi and National Capital Region (NCR), Punjab, Uttarakhand and Rajasthan.

People rushed out of their houses and offices and metro services in Delhi were briefly halted.

In Srinagar, residents said they saw the buildings "swinging".

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