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# MNA's Ali Wazir and Mohsin Dawar Granted Bail

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**After a dozen of hearings in Kharqamar check post attack case [1],** on 18 September Peshawar High Court's Bannu bench accepted the bail pleas of MNA's, Ali Wazir and Mohsin Dawar [see The News article below]. The MNAs have been asked to provide surety bonds worth Rs1 million each. They have been asked to report to police once a month. "The judge gave a verbal order and we are waiting for the written one," said Latif Afridi, the lawyer representing the MNAs.

The two MNAs, who are leaders of the Pashtun Tahafuz Movement (PTM), were initially charged in an FIR registered at the Counter Terrorism Department (CTD) police station, Bannu, on May 26 after the Kharqamar check post clash in North Waziristan, which had resulted in the deaths of 13 persons and injuries to several others. Wazir had been taken into custody the day of the attack, while Dawar surrendered himself to security forces a few days later. later the videos released on the social media confirmed that army check post was not attacked y the protesters instead Ali's caravan was attacked with direct bullets from the back.

Separately, they were charged in the instant case registered on June 7 at the CTD police station, Bannu, after an improvised explosive device (IED) exploded on a road in Doga Macha, North Waziristan, when an Army convoy was passing through the area. Both, Wazir and Dawar, were already in CTD custody at the time of the IED blast [see Dawn article below] . A Bannu anti-terrorism court last month had granted bail to the PTM leaders in the second case pertaining to the blast in Doga Macha.

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Source [Asian Marxist Review, September 20, 2019](#). For further coverage see ESSF "[Pakistan: MNA's Ali Wazir and Mohsin Dawar Granted Bail](#)".

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