



Pipeline blast in northwest Iraq halts oil flow to Turkey

UPDATE

Sun Jul 28, 2013 9:36AM GMT

A bomb attack on an oil pipeline near the northwestern Iraqi city of Mosul has halted the oil flow to Turkey, as violence continues to surge across the country.

The pipeline that was blown up at midnight on Saturday was used to transfer crude from Iraq's Kirkuk oilfields to the Mediterranean port of Ceyhan in Turkey, officials of Iraq's North Oil Company (NOC) said.

According to the NOC officials, repair work will be completed within the next 72 hours if no security issue arises.

The incident is the latest in a string of attacks across Iraq that has left more than 2,900 people dead since the start of April.

In the first 16 days of the holy month of Ramadan, more than 400 people lost their lives in violence across Iraq.

In an interview with Press TV on Monday, international human rights attorney Edward Corrigan said that foreign powers are attempting to fabricate Shia-Sunni discord in Iraq and elsewhere, with the ultimate aim of weakening the Muslim world.

ASH/HMV

    