

Top IS leader killed in coalition airstrikes in Iraq

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Baghdad: A prominent Islamic State leader was killed in airstrikes launched by the US-led international coalition west of the northern Iraqi city of Mosul.

General Najim al-Jabouri, commander of security operations in the Nineveh province, said on Monday that coalition aircraft targeted the car belonging to Abdullah Mohamed al-Huran, the military commander of Mosul's eastern front.

Nicknamed "Mohamed Baqia", Al-Huran was one of the important leaders of the terrorist organisation, Al-Jabouri said, noting that he belonged to the Alloizian tribe, one of the largest Arab tribes in the city, and was a native of the nearby village of Batisha.

International coalition forces have carried on with air raids over Mosul, targeting IS movements both inside and outside the city.

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