

It all happened in 30 minutes



10.50am (11.50am Singapore time)

- First wave of explosions – A group of five militants set upon a Starbucks cafe located at Menara Cakrawala, a commercial building in Central Jakarta, tossing two homemade bombs into the cafe.
- Gunmen later open fire randomly at the patrons scrambling out of the cafe after the blasts.
- Two foreigners – a Canadian and an Algerian – are taken hostage but the latter manages to struggle free. The Canadian is later killed as the attack unfolds.

10.50-10.55am

- Second wave of explosions – Two of the attackers are captured on CCTV hiding next to a car at a parking lot outside the cafe.
- Minutes later, they blow themselves up. This, as the rest of the militants turn on a police post located at the nearby cross-junction, firing away randomly at passers-by on the street and in vehicles.

11.00am

- Two of the attackers rush towards the police post and blow themselves up, killing a passer-by and injuring a police officer inside the post.
- The remaining militant is killed in the ensuing gunfight, with police officers responding to the attack.

11.20am

- Heavily armed police officers begin sweeping buildings in the area such as the Menara Cakrawala and Gedung Jaya, located opposite the site of the attack, as they initially believe there are more suspects at large.
- As the operation is under way, rumours of similar attacks in other areas across Jakarta strike panic among the people in the city, but the police later say that it is all a hoax.