

# Iran test-fires anti-warship cruise missile with range of more than 600 miles

**PTI, TEHRAN:** Iran test-fired an anti-warship cruise missile with a range of 1,000 kilometres capable of reaching US Navy ships in the Persian Gulf and Sea of Oman, state TV reported on Saturday.

This is a Gadr-380 missile type L. It has over 1,000 kilometres range. It has anti-jamming capability, said Gen. Ali Reza Tangsiri, the head of the navy of the Revolutionary Guard, in a report that showed an underground missile facility on the southern coast of Iran.

The report elaborated neither on warhead that the missile carried, nor the time of the test.

Tangsiri said the facility is only one part of the missile systems of the Guard, adding that the missiles can create a hell for the enemy's warships.

The report said the new weapon was a sophisticated missile, without elaborating, which could be launched from the under-



A test launch during the unveiling of the Gadr-380 naval cruise missile in an undisclosed location in Iran. The naval arm of the IRGC unveiled a new underground missile facility on the south coast in footage aired by state television on February 1, two weeks after unveiling an underground naval base

ground facility. The missile was launched from central Iran into the Sea of Oman, it said.

It said the missile can be made ready and launched by one member of personnel in less than five minutes. Since 2011 Iran has occasionally announced the inauguration of underground missile facilities along with

missile tests. It has boasted of underground facilities across the country as well as along the southern coast near the strategic Strait of Hormuz.

Iran claims to have missiles that can travel 2,000 kilometres, placing much of the Middle East, including Israel, within range.

In 2024 and during Isra-

el's war with Hamas in Gaza and Hezbollah in Lebanon, Iran launched hundreds of missiles at Israel in two separate barrages in April and October. Israel said it intercepted most of the missiles.

The US and its Western allies see Iran's missile program as a threat, along with the country's nuclear program.

## US military conducts airstrikes against Islamic State operatives in Somalia

**AP, WASHINGTON:** The US military has conducted coordinated airstrikes against Islamic State operatives in Somalia, the first attacks in the African nation during President Donald Trump's second term.

Defence Secretary Pete Hegseth said Saturday that the strikes by US Africa Command were directed by Trump and coordinated with Somalia's government.

An initial assessment by the Pentagon indicated that "multiple" operatives were killed. The Pentagon said it assessed that no civilians were harmed in the strikes.

Trump, in a post on social media, said a senior IS planner and recruits were

targeted in the operation.

"The strikes destroyed the caves they live in, and killed many terrorists without, in any way, harming civilians. Our Military has targeted this ISIS Attack Planner for years, but Biden and his cronies wouldn't act quickly enough to get the job done. I did!" Trump said. "The message to ISIS and all others who would attack Americans is that 'WE WILL FIND YOU, AND WE WILL KILL YOU!'"

Trump did not identify the IS planner or say whether that person was killed in the strike. White House officials did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

## Indian Embassy in Congo asks nationals to depart immediately to safer locations

**PTI, JOHANNESBURG:** The Embassy of India in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo, on Sunday said it is closely monitoring the security situation in the central African country and asked all the Indian nationals in Bukavu "to immediately depart to safer locations."

The Embassy issued three advisories during the day and recommended that everyone prepare an emergency plan. There are about 1,000 Indian nationals in Congo. Rwanda-backed M23 rebels captured the eastern Congolese city of Goma and are looking at expanding their area of control.

"There are reports of M23 being only around 20-25 kms away from Bukavu. Given the security situation, we once again advise all Indian nationals residing in Bukavu to immediately depart to safer locations by whatever means available while the airports, borders and commercial routes are still open. We strongly recommend against any travel to Bukavu," the advisory said.

In the latest advisory, the Embassy recommended that everyone prepare an emergency plan and gave instructions to keep, at all times, all essential identity and travel documents with them; keep essential items such as medicines, clothing, travel documents, ready-to-eat food, water, etc. in a bag that can be carried easily, and monitor local media channels for updates.

The Indian Embassy also said that it is collating information on Indian nationals in Bukavu and asked them to urgently send relevant information such as full name, passport number, addresses in Congo and India, contact number among other details.

## Ceiling collapse at abandoned home kills three in Kosovo

**AFP, PRISTINA:** A collapsed ceiling in an abandoned home in southwestern Kosovo killed three minors, police said on Sunday, as authorities launched an investigation into the cause of the incident.

According to law enforcement, the incident occurred in the village of Jablanica on Saturday when part of the structure's ceiling collapsed with three teenagers inside.

Local police spokesman Sheremet Elezaj said an emergency services team was sent to the location "immediately after learning about the incident".

The "team only confirmed their deaths at the scene", Elezaj added.

Kosovo prosecutors said in a statement that "all investigative actions are being taken" and noted that the bodies had been sent for autopsies.

Perparim Ademaj, a resident who joined the search for the victims, told local media that the bodies had been discovered lying under the collapsed ceiling.

Local media reported that the house had been uninhabited for decades and that the victims were aged between 14 to 15 years old.

**RETURNED TO THE LORD**  
**CAETANO SACRAMENTO**  
**JOSE VAZ (CAJI)**  
 (Adarshnagar Airport Road)  
 BORN - 17/06/1964 DIED - 02/02/2025

Son of (late) Hipolito Vaz / Isabel Vaz. Husband of Catarina Vaz. Father/Father-in-law of Steffi / Jeswin, Shineade / Stanislaus. Brother / Brother-in-law Gracy / Amarante, Saluzinho / Angela, Roque / Celina. Uncle to Joshua, Jordan, Milosha, Malaika, Manisha, Nash, Dilan & Neil.

Funeral cortege will leave the residence at 10:00 a.m. on 4th February 2025 (Tuesday) to St. Andrew's Church, Vasco for the Eucharistic Celebration and burial. Relatives, Neighbours & Friends kindly accept this as the only intimation

**LORD I AM COMING HOME**  
**JOAO DAMASCENO NEPOMOCENO RODRIGUES (LEPOCIANO)**  
 (Orgao - Loutulim)  
 Born : 16-03-1963 - Died: 30-01-2025

Son of late JOAO RODRIGUES / TEODOLENA COSTA  
 Beloved husband of CRUSINHA GRACIANA MELO

Father of DENZIL RODRIGUES, ALESAN RODRIGUES & SUCCORINA ESPY RODRIGUES  
 Father-in-law of AMELIA BRENDA FERNANDES / EDNEY MANUEL RODRIGUES.

Funeral cortege will leave his residence on Monday, 03<sup>rd</sup> February 2025, at 3:30 pm to Saviour of the World Church, Loutulim for Eucharistic celebration followed by burial.

Relatives, Friends & Neighbours kindly accept this as the only intimation.

**DEATH**  
**EPIFANIO NORONHA (FANU)**  
**Attafondem, Moira**

Beloved Husband of Angela Noronha. loving Father/Father in law of Ian and Wendy/Blaise D'Sa and Doting grandfather of Rhys. Brother/Brother in law of Late Michael/Late Victoria, Theresa/Late Raphael, Late Flora/Late Anthony, Late Lourdes, Adolf/Marcia, Augustine, Nicholas/Late Geraldine.

Funeral cortege will leave his residence at 3.30 pm on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2025 for Eucharistic celebration followed by burial at Our Lady of Immaculate Conception Church, Moira.

Relatives and Friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

**In Loving Memory of**  
**SISTER JENET ALMEIDA**  
 08-06-1964 - 02-02-2025

Ex Principal of Our Lady Of The Rosary H.S.S. DonaPaula

"A Beautiful Soul, A Loving heart and A Life that touched so many"

It is with deep sorrow we announce the demise of our beloved ex Principal, Sr. Jenet Almeida. She left for heavenly abode on 02-02-25. She will be laid to rest on 03-02-25 at 10.30 a.m at St. Anthony's Home, Byculla, Mumbai

Your light will always shine in our hearts. R.I.P.

The Management, Principal, Staff and Students Of Our Lady Of The Rosary H.S.S. Dona Paula

**RETURNED TO THE LORD**  
**MARIA VERONICA HENRIQUES FERNANDES**  
 Mangor, Vasco-da-Gama  
 DOB: 31-05-1962 / DOD: 02-02-2025

Wife of Late MR. JOAO FERNANDES, mother of JOEL HENRIQUES FERNANDES, daughter of Late Mr. Sertorio Henriques and late Mrs. Martha Henriques.

Sister/sister in law of Late Lydia Pereira / Late Bernard Pereira, Sister-in-law of Liria/Late Seby (Rivona), Rita/Late Santan (Merces), Lucio/Libby (UK), Late Alex/Lucy (UK), Sr. Margaret (Kolkata), Santana (Merces), Magdalena/Terence (Canada) and Agnelo/ Irene (Merces).

Funeral cortege will leave her residence on Monday, 3rd February 2025 at 3.15 p.m. to St. Andrew's Church, Vasco, for Eucharistic celebration followed by burial.

RELATIVES, NEIGHBOURS & FRIENDS KINDLY ACCEPT THIS AS THE ONLY INTIMATION

**THIRD DEATH ANNIVERSARY**  
 In loving memory of  
**AGOSTINHO DIAS**  
 KARMALIWADA - CACORA  
 "Whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord". Romans 14:8

There will be Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Agostinho on Tuesday 4th February 2025 at 7:15 am at Our Lady of Rosary Chapel, Cacora, followed by prayers & blessings at the grave, offered by his sorrowful Wife, Children and Grandchildren.

Relatives, friends and neighbours kindly accept this as the only intimation

**RETURNED TO THE LORD**  
**LUISA MARIA PIEDADE E. FERNANDES e PEREIRA**  
 Shantinagar, Vasco

Born: 13-12-1933  
 Died: 02-02-2025

Beloved wife of late Eduardo Francisco Pereira (Damãokar), loving mother/ mother-in-law of late Antonio/Remigia, late Cristalina, Caetano/Sandra, Juliana/Late Jerome, Florencio/Zemira, Martha/Late Joaquim, late Ubaldino, Nettie/Alphaeus, Custodio, Mano/Sylvia, Rodney/Clarissa, Xavier/Cecilia. Doting Grandmother of Michael, Noel/Linfa, Melwyn/Ruby, Marsha/Alykhan, Fidelis, Agassi, Switzella, Gavin, Nathan-Ave, Steven, Michelle, Chloe and Caleb.

Loving Great Grandmother of Alannah.

Funeral Cortege will leave her residence at 3:15pm on Tuesday, 04 February 2025 to St. Andrew's Church, Vasco-Da-Gama for Eucharistic Celebration at 3:30pm followed by burial.

Relatives, neighbours & friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

**MEMORIAL MASS**  
**JOAQUIM ANTONIO REBELO (JAISON)**  
 (M.R.F. - Goa)  
 1st PALVEM - CHINCHINIM

There will be Eucharistic Celebration of our beloved Joaquim on Tuesday 04.02.25 at 8.00 am at Our Lady of Hope Church, Chinchinim, followed by prayers and blessing of the grave.

Offered by his sorrowful wife Pedrinha (Romey) Falcao, Daughters: Beleza/Jackson Da Cunha (U.K.) and Valanka, Grandson: Baba Joven and Family

Relatives, friends & neighbours kindly accept this as the only intimation

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

We, the bereaved family of late Joaquim, wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to the Priests, Nuns, Doctors, Relatives, Friends and Neighbours for their prayers, help and support, condolences, floral tributes, messages, phone calls and participation in the Eucharistic Celebration.

A hearty thanks to the siblings of Joaquim and Romey and the close family members who were with us during the tough times. May God bless us all.

Costy's Ads, Chinchinim, Navelim, 9850473904

**MONTH'S MIND**  
 In everloving memory of  
**JOEFRANK ANTHONY FERNANDES**  
 - UTORDA -

There will be an Eucharistic celebration for the soul of our beloved JoeFrank at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, 4th February 2025 at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Utorda, followed by prayers at the grave, offered by his sorrowful wife: Fatima, children: Shanti / Joseph & Johnlon, granddaughters: Crystal and Kiahna.

Relatives and friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

Confidant Advtg. & Funeral Service, Margao 9823022194

**RETURNED TO THE LORD**  
**RAFAEL FERNANDES**  
 Nagoa-Pirni, Salcete

BORN: 21<sup>st</sup> October 1943  
 DIED: 02<sup>nd</sup> February 2025

Most Beloved husband of Luizinha Braganca; Doting father/father-in-law of Antonette/ Andre, Reina/ Santano, Aida/ Henrique, Sabina, Persia/ Inacinho, Sharmila/ Peter; Most Affectionate Grandfather of Sweeton/ Anesha, Aleta/ Sheldon, Steran, Alister, Senozel, Shaznay, Shenoy, Haston, Swanon, Pearlita & Rzyer; Great- Grandfather of Sweesha, Aiden & Anaiah.

Funeral mass will be held Tomorrow, 4<sup>th</sup> February at 3:15 pm at Our Lady of Succour & Good Success, Nagoa Salcete, followed by burial.

Relatives, neighbours and friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

**MONTH'S MIND**

19-02-1947 04-01-2025

**Aspulqueta (Aspy) M. A. Rodrigues e Fernandes**  
 Cobravaddo, Calangute

"If we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord. Therefore, whether we live or die, we belong to God." - Romans 14:8

There will be a Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Aspulqueta (Aspy) on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 8:30 a.m. at St. Alex Church, Calangute

Forever loved by: Mavis, Christine, Viana & Family.

Relatives, neighbours & friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

**THIRD DEATH ANNIVERSARY**  
 In everloving memory of  
**CAITAN XAVIER FERNANDES (CAJI)**

Born: 07/06/1991 Died: 04/02/2022 (Sao Jose de Areal)

There will be an Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Caitan Xavier on Tuesday, 4th Feb. 2025 (Tomorrow) at 7.30 am at St. Joseph Church, Sao Jose de Areal, offered by his sorrowful mother Jesuina Filomena Fernandes, sisters/brothers-in-law Silvia/Luis, Lizete/Adward, Clency/Franky, Jorgina/Edson, Lovina/Elister, nephew & nieces.

Relatives, neighbours & friends please accept this as the only intimation.

Rebello Publicity & Funeral Services Margao 9822383992

**THIRD DEATH ANNIVERSARY**  
 In everloving memory of  
**CAETANO ROSARIO FURTADO (JACOB)**

BORN: 27.11.1942  
 DIED: 04.02.2022

Mazilvaddo - Benaulim

Your absence is silent grief, And you will forever stay in our hearts. It broke our heart to lose you, your loving smile a heart of gold.

There will be an Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Caetano on Tuesday, 4th February 2025 at 7:00 a.m. at Holy Trinity Church, Benaulim, followed by prayers at the grave offered by his sorrowful family.

Relatives and friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

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**RETURNED TO THE LORD**

**JOAO TREVOR MENINO JESUS PINTO**  
 - Mazilvaddo, Benaulim -

Born: 25.5.1953 - Died: 2.2.2025

Son of late F. X. Jolly Pinto/Maria Zelia Cruz e Pinto. Husband of late Yvonne Rodrigues e Pinto. Dearest brother/ brother-in-law of Albencio/ Pamela, Jacinta/late Roque, Bernadette/ Ligorio, Keith/Priya and loving uncle of nephews & nieces.

Passed away peacefully.

Funeral cortege will leave his residence at 4.00 p.m. on Monday, 3rd February 2025 to Holy Trinity Church, Benaulim for Eucharistic Celebration & burial.

Relatives and friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

Confidant Advtg. & Funeral Services, Margao. Ph. 9823022194

**MONTH'S MIND**

**Melita Fernandes**  
 27-03-1961 04-01-2025  
 (Caranzalem, Dona Paula)  
 (Ex-Corporator of the city of Panjim)

There will be a Eucharistic Celebration for her soul on Tuesday, February 4, 2025 (tomorrow) at 8:15am at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Caranzalem offered by her sorrowful husband, Manuel and children.

Relatives & friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

GOANRITES 9822136397

**HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES**

"For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's". Romans 14:8

We express our deep sympathy and grief on the demise of **MR. CAETANO SACRAMENTO JOSE VAZ (Caji)** (Adarshnagar Airport road Chicalim)

We extend our heartfelt condolences to his bereaved family and pray that may his departed soul Rest in Peace in heaven. He will always remain in our hearts and memories.

Piedade Fernandes & Fly Oswin Barreto & Fly Socorro Rodrigues & Fly Jerry Fernandes & Fly Edmund Fernandes & Fly Cruz Cardoz & Fly Fr. Gabriel Coutinho