



Iranian Presidency Office, President Masoud Pezeshkian speaks to navy officials, in Tehran, Iran



Senator-elect Christopher Go delivers a speech during the proclamation of the elected senators in Manila



Hungary's PM Viktor Orbán arrives for the European Political Community (EPC) summit, in Tirana

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US actress, director Angelina Jolie arrives for the screening of the film "Eddington" at the 78th edition of the Cannes Film Festival in Cannes, southern France

Swedish journalist freed from Turkey hails freedom

STOCKHOLM: A Swedish journalist jailed in Turkey for nearly two months on a charge of "insulting" President Recep Tayyip Erdogan on Saturday hailed his freedom after being released and returning home.

South Korea's ex-president Yoon leaves party ahead of snap election

SEOUL: South Korea's ex-president Yoon Suk Yeol left his conservative party on Saturday as it gears up for snap elections triggered by his impeachment over a bid to impose martial law.

Police officer killed in 'assault' on Libyan gov't building

TRIPOLI: A police officer was killed in an "attempted assault" on the office of Libya's internationally recognised premier, the government said Friday.

Israel launches new military operation in Gaza day after Trump leaves Middle East

AP, JERUSALEM: Israel said Saturday that it has launched a major operation in the Gaza Strip to pressure Hamas to release remaining hostages.

Defence Minister Israel Katz said that Operation Gideon Chariots was being led with "great force." Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu had vowed to escalate pressure with the aim of destroying the militant group.

The military operation came a day after US President Donald Trump concluded his Middle East trip without a visit to Israel. There had been hope that Trump's trip could increase the chances of a ceasefire deal.

Negotiations between Israel and Hamas have yet to achieve progress in Qatar's capital, Doha. Hamas, which released an Israeli-American hostage as a goodwill

FLIGHTS RESUME AT REBEL-HELD AIRPORT IN YEMEN'S CAPITAL, MORE THAN A WEEK AFTER ISRAELI STRIKES

AP, CAIRO: Flights resumed on Saturday to Yemen's capital of Sanaa, held by the country's Iran-backed Houthi rebels, more than a week after massive Israeli airstrikes disabled the airport.

gesture before Trump's trip, insists on a deal that ends the war and leads to the withdrawal of Israeli forces — something Israel said that it won't agree to.

Israel's army said on social media that it was intensifying attacks and exerting "tremendous pressure" on Hamas across Gaza, and wouldn't stop until the hostages are returned and the

militant group is dismantled. Israel believes as many as 23 of the hostages in Gaza are still alive, although Israeli authorities have expressed concern for the status of three of them.

More than 150 people had been killed in Israeli strikes in the last 24 hours, according to Gaza's Health Ministry. It said more than 3,000 have been killed

since Israel broke a January ceasefire on March 18. On Saturday afternoon, an Israeli strike killed at least four children in the Jabaliya refugee camp in the north, according to al-Awda Hospital, which received the bodies.

Seven others were wounded in the strike, which hit a house. A later strike in Jabaliya killed four, the hospital said.

Severe Midwest weather, including tornado, leaves 14 dead in Kentucky; 7 in Missouri

AP, ST LOUIS: Storm systems sweeping across the Midwest have left at least 21 dead, including nine people killed after a tornado sparked what authorities called a mass casualty event in southeastern Kentucky.

In Kentucky, some 14 people have been killed by severe weather - including a devastating tornado - in Kentucky, and the death toll is likely to rise, according to Gov Andy Beshear.

"Kentucky, we're starting today with the tough news that we lost at least 14 of our people to last night's storms, but sadly, this number is expected to grow as we receive more information. Please pray for all of our affected families," Beshear said Saturday in a post on social media platform X.

Earlier, authorities in Laurel County said nine people were killed after a tornado touched down in southeastern Kentucky.

Kentucky authorities said there were also severe injuries when a twister tore across Laurel County late Friday, causing structures to crumble and even flipping over a car on I-75.

"The search is continuing in the damaged area for survivors," the office of Sheriff John Root said in a statement posted on social media. An emergency shelter was set up at a local high school and donations of food and other necessities were arriving.

"The outpouring from our community has been heartwarming. We are continuing to accept donations," the Sheriff's Office said. Spokesman Gilbert Acciaro said rescuers have "been on the ground all night looking for possible survivors. That's what we're continuing to do."

The tornado, which ripped across the largely rural area and extended to the London Corbin Airport,

hit shortly before midnight.

"Lives have been changed forever here tonight. This is a time we come together, and we pray for this community," London Mayor Randall Weddle told WKYT-TV. "I have never personally witnessed what I've witnessed here tonight. There's a lot of devastation."

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Condolence notice for John Dias (Joncia Marine Services). We extend our heartfelt condolences on the passing of John Dias. His immense contributions to the Seamen Community of Goa and India will never be forgotten.

THIRD DEATH ANNIVERSARY notice for JOANA SOUZA. In Everloving Memory of JOANA SOUZA. Born 15th October 1942, Died 19th May 2022. Guplem B, Fatorda.

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MONTH'S MIND notice for TECUSA PEREIRA DIAS. In Ever-loving Memory of Tecusa Pereira Dias. There will be Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of Tecusa Pereira Dias.

Kremlin says Putin-Zelensky meeting possible only after agreement



AFP, KYIV: The Kremlin on Saturday said a meeting between Russian President Vladimir Putin and Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky would be possible only after both sides reach an agreement.

The morning after the talks, a Russian drone attack on a minibuss carrying evacuated civilians in the eastern Sumy region killed nine people and wounded five, local authorities said.

"Yesterday, as on any day of this war, there was an opportunity to cease fire," Zelensky wrote on social media following the attack, adding that "Russia only retains the opportunity to continue killing".

He reiterated his call on Ukraine's allies to step up

sanctions on Moscow. "Without stronger sanctions, without stronger pressure on Russia, there will be no real diplomacy there," the Ukrainian president said.

The first direct talks since the spring of 2022 -- shortly after Moscow's full-scale invasion that February -- between Ukraine and Russia in Istanbul resulted in a concrete agreement to exchange 1,000 prisoners each.

Ukraine's top negotiator, Defence Minister Rustem Umerov, said the "next step" would be a meeting between Zelensky and Putin.

Russia said it took note of the request.

"We consider it possible, but only as a result of the work and upon achieving certain results in the form of an agreement between the two sides," the Kremlin's spokesman said.

Russia's top negotiator, Vladimir Medinsky said that Moscow and Kyiv would "present their vision of a possible future ceasefire", without saying when.

The Kremlin said that first the POW swap must be completed and both sides need to present their visions for a ceasefire before fixing the next round of talks.

"For now, we need to do what the delegations agreed on yesterday" in Turkey, spokesman Dmitry Peskov said, adding that "this, of course, means first and foremost to complete a 1,000 for 1,000 swap".

The head of Ukraine's military intelligence Kirillo Budanov told broadcaster TSN he hoped the exchange would happen next week and that he saw no hurdles to the swap.

On Saturday, there were few signs of progress towards halting the fighting.

The bus was attacked near the city of Bilopillya, head of the local Bilopillya community Yuri Zarko told Suspilne TV.

Elsewhere on the frontlines, the Russian army said its troops captured Oleksandrivka village in the eastern Donetsk region, where some of the most intense fighting in the war is ongoing.

ONE YEAR WITH THE LORD notice for Celsious Clay Fernandes. In Ever-loving Memory of Celsious Clay Fernandes. Comlatollem, Benaulim. "Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day."

MONTH'S MIND notice for PHILOMENA LOBO FERNANDES. In loving memory of Philomena Lobo Fernandes. "I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race. I have kept the faith" 2 Timothy 4:7.

MONTH'S MIND THIRD DEATH ANNIVERSARY notice for THEREZA LOBO and FR. FRANCISCO LOBO. In loving memory of Thereza Lobo and Fr. Francisco Lobo. "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die." John 11:25.