



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. "I have been thinking about what I should say at this moment and it is: 'Long live freedom, the freedom of the press, the freedom of expression, and the freedom of movement,'" Joakim Medin told a press conference in Stockholm. Medin, a 40-year-old reporter working for the Dagens ETC daily, was released from the high-security Silivri prison and flew back to Sweden on Friday.

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. The People Power Party (PPP) had been under pressure to expel Yoon ahead of the June 3 election, as polls showed it trailing the main opposition party. "I am leaving the People Power Party today," Yoon, who is standing trial on criminal charges of insurrection, wrote on Facebook. He urged voters to support his former labour minister Kim Moon-soo, the PPP's presidential candidate. Kim shot to public prominence as the only cabinet member who refused to bow in apology for failing to prevent martial law.

Police officer killed in 'assault' on Libyan govt building

TRIPOLI: A police officer was killed in an "attempted assault" on the office of Libya's internationally recognised premier, the government said Friday, as protesters took to the streets to demand his ouster. The officer was "targeted while securing the prime minister's office building," the Government of National Unity said in a statement.

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, following days of strikes across the Palestinian territory that killed hundreds of people.

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 that has ruled Gaza for nearly two decades.

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 or the resumption of humanitarian aid to Gaza, which Israel has prevented for more than two months.

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. The Israeli strikes on May 6 - a rare daytime attack - destroyed the airport's terminal and left craters on its runway, according to Khaled al-Shaif, the head of the airport. At least six passenger planes were hit, including three belonging to the national carrier, Yemen Airway or Yemenia, he said. On Saturday, a flight operated by Yemenia landed at the Sanaa International Airport with 136 passengers on board, according to the Houthis' al-Masirah satellite news channel. The flight had departed from Jordan's capital, Amman, earlier in the day, the airliner said. Three more flights were scheduled on Saturday between Sanaa and Amman. The Israeli offensive was in response to a Houthi ballistic missile that hit the grounds of Ben-Gurion International Airport near Tel Aviv, which briefly halted flights and commuter traffic. The Houthis have targeted Israel throughout Israel's war with the militant Hamas group in Gaza, in solidarity with Palestinians there, while also targeting commercial and naval vessels on the Red Sea. The attacks have raised the Houthis' profile at home and internationally as the last member of Iran's self-described "Axis of Resistance" capable of launching regular attacks on Israel. Since mid-March, the US military under President Donald Trump launched an intensified campaign of daily airstrikes targeting the Houthis. The two sides reached a deal to halt the US campaign in return for the Houthis halting their attacks on shipping.

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 com-

munity," London Mayor Randall Weddle told WKYT-TV. "I have never personally witnessed what I've witnessed here tonight. There's a lot of devastation."

FIRST Death Anniversary
IN EVERLOVING MEMORY OF



Born: 25/03/1933 Died: 19/05/2024

INACHINA BARRETO
[CULMOROD-ASSOLNA]
Jesus said to him,
"I promise you that today you will be in Paradise with me." Lk 23:43

There will be an Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved mother **INACHINA** on Monday 19th MAY 2025 at 7:30 am at Regina Martyrum Church, Assolna for Eucharistic

Offered by her Sorrowful Children,
Grand Children, Great Grand Children & Family.
Relatives & friends kindly accept this as the only intimation

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, a day after after Moscow and Kyiv held their first direct talks in more than three years, which did not result in a truce.

The morning after the talks, a Russian drone attack on a minibus 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.

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Condolence

We extend our heartfelt condolences on the passing of

John Dias

(Joncia Marine Services).

His immense contributions to the Seamen Community of Goa and India will never be forgotten.

May his soul rest in peace, and may the Lord provide strength and comfort to his family during this difficult time.

**With deepest sympathy,
Capt Glen Lacerda and Family**

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THIRD DEATH ANNIVERSARY

In Everloving Memory of

JOANA SOUZA

Born 15th October 1942
Died 19th May 2022

Guplem B, Fatorda

On a mother's third death anniversary, it's common to express love, miss her, and remember her legacy.

Some quotes might reflect on the passage of time, the enduring love, and the wisdom she imparted.

Eucharistic Celebration at Our Lady of Livrament Chapel, Arlem, on Monday, 19th May 2025 at 6:45 am, followed by blessings at the grave at Raia Cemetery.

Offered by her sorrowful family.

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

S. CAITAN & Family

Deeply Mourns The Sad Demise Of



SAMUEL CARVALHO

MAJORDA - GOA

MAY HIS SOUL REST IN PEACE

We convey our deepest sympathies to the bereaved family

MONTH'S MIND

In Ever-loving Memory of



TECUSA PEREIRA DIAS

There will be Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of Tecusa Pereira Dias

On Monday, 19th May 2025, Tomorrow at 7:30 am at Our Lady of Gloria Church, Varca

followed by prayers at the grave offered by her sorrowful children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The family members of Tecusa Pereira Dias thank relatives, neighbours and friends who attended the funeral, paid floral tributes and expressed their condolences in person or via phone calls and messages. We thank you for sharing in our grief and regret our inability to thank each one individually.

GOD BLESS YOU

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ONE YEAR WITH THE LORD

In Ever-loving Memory of

Celsious Clay Fernandes

Comlatollem, Benaulim

"Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near; still loved, still missed and very dear"

Death ends a life, but not a bond

There will be Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Son on **Monday, 19th May 2025 at 8.00 am at Holy Trinity Church, Benaulim** followed by prayers and blessings at the grave.

Offered by his sorrowful Parents: Cassius / Celia, Sister: Cia, Grandfather: Caetano and family

Relatives and Friends kindly accept this as the only intimation

MONTH'S MIND

In loving memory of



"I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race. I have kept the faith" 2 Timothy 4:7

PHILOMENA LOBO FERNANDES

PRINCIPAL OF ST RITA'S HIGH SCHOOL, COLVALE

There will be a Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Philomena on **Monday 19th May 2025 (Tomorrow) at 8.30 am at St Francis of Assisi Church, Colvale** followed by prayers & blessing of the grave.

Offered by her sorrowful children, Ashley, Annabel / Bernard, Amorette, Audley / Abigale.

MONTH'S MIND

In loving memory of



"I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die." John 11:25

THEREZA LOBO

There will be a Eucharistic Celebration for the souls of our beloved Thereza and Fr. Francisco on **Monday 19th May 2025 (Tomorrow) at 8.30 am at St Francis of Assisi Church, Colvale** followed by prayers & blessing of the grave.

Offered by their sorrowful nephews and nieces: Sandra / Edwin, Michael / Rowena, Josette / Gerard, Ashley, Annabel / Bernard, Amorette & Audley / Abigale.

MONTH'S MIND THIRD DEATH ANNIVERSARY

In loving memory of

