



Princess Caroline of Hanover receiving flowers from Cuba's President Miguel Diaz-Canel at the Convention Palace in Havana



Iraqi Foreign Minister Fuad Hussein delivers a speech during the 34th Arab League summit in Baghdad



Italy's PM, Giorgia Meloni and Germany's Chancellor Friedrich Merz shake hands at the end of a meeting in Rome



Bucharest Mayor and independent presidential candidate Nicusor Dan shows a stamp after casting his vote at a polling station in Fagaras

# Israel says it has begun 'extensive' new ground operations in Gaza

AP, DEIR AL-BALAH: Israel launched "extensive" new ground operations in the Gaza Strip while airstrikes in a new offensive killed at least 103 people, including dozens of children, overnight and into Sunday, hospitals and medics said, and forced northern Gaza's main hospital to close.

Airstrikes killed more than 48 people in and around the Palestinian territory's southern city of Khan Younis, some hitting houses and tents sheltering displaced people, according to Nasser Hospital, which said it struggled to count the dead because of the condition of the bodies. Eighteen children and 13 women were among them, spokesperson Weam Fares said.

In northern Gaza, a strike on a home in the built-up Jabaliya refugee camp killed nine members of a family, according to the Gaza Health Ministry's emergency services.

Another strike on a residence in Jabaliya killed 10, including seven children



An ariel view of the Gaza Strip shows the destruction due to Israeli bombardment in the besieged Palestinian territory

and a woman, according to the civil defence, which operates under the Hamas-run government.

In Gaza City, Um Mahmoud al-Aloul lay across the shrouded body of her daughter, Nour al-Aloul.

"You took my soul with you," she cried. "I used to turn off my phone from how much you called."

Israel's military had no immediate comment, but its statement announcing the

ground operations said that preliminary strikes over the past week killed dozens of militants and struck more than 670 targets. Israel blames civilian casualties on Hamas because the militant group operates from civilian areas.

Israel launched the offensive Saturday with the aims of seizing territory, displacing hundreds of thousands of Palestinians to Gaza's south and taking greater control of aid distribution.

An Israeli blockade on food, medicine and other supplies is now in its third month, with global food security experts warning of famine across the territory of more than 2 million people.

Israel has said it is pressuring Hamas to agree to a temporary ceasefire on Israel's terms - one that would free Israeli hostages held in Gaza, but wouldn't necessarily end the war. Hamas says it wants a full withdrawal of Israeli forces

## ISRAEL OPEN TO DEAL THAT INCLUDES 'ENDING THE FIGHTING' IN GAZA

AFP, GAZA CITY: Israel signalled Sunday that it was open to striking a deal with Hamas that included "ending the fighting" in Gaza, where rescuers reported dozens killed a day after Israel stepped up its offensive. Israel's military has said the expansion of its campaign is aimed at "achieving all the war's objectives" including releasing hostages and "the defeat of Hamas". But as the intensified operations got underway, Israel and Hamas were entering indirect talks in Qatar that the Palestinian group said were aimed at ending the war. In a statement on Sunday, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's office said that "even at this very moment, the negotiation team in Doha is working to exhaust every possibility for a deal - whether according to the Witkoff framework or as part of ending the fighting," referring to US Middle East envoy Steve Witkoff who has been involved in previous discussions.

es and a pathway to ending the war as part of any new ceasefire deal.

Israel had said it would wait until the end of US President Donald Trump's visit to the Middle East before launching its offensive, saying it was giving a chance for efforts at a new deal. Trump didn't visit Israel on his trip, which ended Friday. Israeli Prime Minister

Benjamin Netanyahu's office said that his negotiating team in Qatar's capital, Doha, was "working to realise every chance for a deal," including one that would bring an end to fighting in exchange for the release of all remaining 58 hostages, Hamas' exile from Gaza and the disarmament of the Palestinian territory.

## Lashkar-e-Taiba terrorist involved in major attacks in India shot dead in Pak

PTI, NEW DELHI: A key Lashkar-e-Taiba terrorist, Razaullah Nizamani Khalid alias Abu Saifullah Khalid, who was the brain behind the 2006 attack on the RSS headquarters, was killed by three unidentified gunmen in Sindh province of Pakistan on Sunday, officials here said.

Khalid used to head the terror operations of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) from Nepal in early 2000s and had many aliases including Vinode Kumar, Mohammed Salim and Razaullah. He was involved in multiple terror attacks in India, they said.

He left his residence at Matli this afternoon and was gunned down by assailants near a crossing at Badni in Sindh province, the officials said.

A close associate of Abu Anas of Lashkar, Khalid was the mastermind of the attack on the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) headquarters at Nagpur in which all three terrorists were shot dead.

Besides the RSS attack, the Lashkar operative was involved in the Indian In-

stitute of Science terror attack of 2005 in Bengaluru, in which IIT professor Munish Chandra Puri was killed and four others injured.

The terrorists had escaped from the scene. Later, police investigated the case and chargesheeted Abu Anas, who is still at large.

Khalid was also the mastermind of the deadly 2008 attack on a CRPF camp at Rampur in Uttar Pradesh in which seven personnel and a civilian were killed. The two terrorists escaped under the cover of darkness.

From mid-2000s, Khalid was the in-charge of the Nepal module of LeT, responsible for the recruitment of cadres, providing financial and logistic support and facilitating the movement of LeT operatives across the Indo-Nepal border.

Khalid was tasked by the LeT and JuD leadership in Pakistan to undertake the recruitment of fresh cadres from the areas of Badin and Hyderabad districts of Sindh and collect funds for the organisation.

## SUMMER BEATS



Performers play the drums during the annual Sanja Matsuri Festival in the Asakusa district of Tokyo on Sunday. Thousands of people flocked to Tokyo's Asakusa district during the annual three-day-long festival, which heralds the coming of summer in the Japanese capital

## Paris-Orly airport cuts flights by 40%

AP, PARIS: France's civil aviation authority asked airlines to reduce flights by 40 per cent at Paris-Orly airport on Sunday evening after air traffic control systems suffered a breakdown.

The authority, known as DGAC, said in a statement that some "regulation" was needed involving a significant reduction in the number of flights. The statement didn't provide details on the cause of the breakdown.

DGAC said its teams "are fully mobilised to restore normal operations as soon as possible".

Paris-Orly airport serves domestic and international flights, including to most European countries and the US.

## Mexican ship collides with Brooklyn Bridge

277 people on board were on a goodwill tour



A Mexican Navy training ship is seen near the Manhattan Bridge after it slammed into the nearby Brooklyn Bridge in New York on Sunday.

AP, NEW YORK: A Mexican navy sailing ship on a global goodwill tour struck the Brooklyn Bridge in New York on Saturday night, snapping its three masts, fatally injuring two crew members and leaving some sailors dangling from harnesses high in the air waiting for help.

New York City Mayor Eric Adams said the 142-year-old bridge was spared major damage but at least 19 people about the ship needed medical treatment after the crash.

Two of the four people who suffered more serious injuries later died, Adams announced on social media early Sunday morning.

The cause of the collision was under investigation.

In a scene captured in multiple eyewitness videos, the ship, called the Cuauhtemoc, could be seen travelling swiftly toward the bridge near the Brooklyn side of the East River.

Then, its three masts struck the bridge's main span and snapped, one by one, as the ship kept moving.

Videos showed heavy traffic on the span at the time of the 8:20 pm collision.

The vessel, which was flying a giant green, white and red Mexican flag and had 277 people aboard, then drifted toward the piers lining the riverbank as onlookers scrambled away.

Sailors could be seen aloft in the rigging on the damaged masts but, remarkably, no one fell into the water, officials said.

Sydney Neidell and Lily Katz told The Associated Press they were sitting outside to watch the sunset when they saw the vessel strike the bridge. Looking closer, they saw someone dangling from high on the ship.

"We saw someone dangling, and I couldn't tell if it was just blurry or my eyes, and we were able to zoom in on our phone and there

was someone dangling from the harness from the top for like at least like 15 minutes before they were able to rescue them," Katz said.

Just before the collision, Nick Corso, 23, took his phone out to capture the backdrop of the ship and the bridge against a sunset. Instead, he heard what sounded like the loud snapping of a "big twig." Several more snaps followed.

People in his vicinity began running back and "pandemonium" on the boat erupted, he said. He later saw a handful of people dangling from the mast.

"I didn't know what to think, I was like, is this a movie?" he said.

The Mexican navy said in a post on the social platform X that the Cuauhtemoc was an academy training vessel. It said a total of 22 people were injured, 19 of whom needed medical treatment.

## One person killed in explosion outside fertility clinic in California

AP, PALM SPRINGS: An explosion killed a person and heavily damaged a fertility clinic Saturday in the upscale California city of Palm Springs in what the FBI characterised as an "intentional act of terrorism."

Akil Davis, the head of

the FBI's Los Angeles field office, said in the evening that the clinic was deliberately targeted, while declining to elaborate on how authorities have reached a conclusion on a motive.

Authorities were still working to confirm the identity of the person who died at the scene. Davis would not directly say whether that person was the suspect but said authorities were not searching for a suspect.

Davis also said four people were hurt but provided no additional details on the severity of the injuries. Authorities were also investi-

gating the possibility that the explosion was being livestreamed.

The FBI said it was sent investigators, including bomb technicians, to the scene.

Palm Springs Police Chief Andy Mills said in a statement that the blast "appears to be an intentional act of violence" and several buildings were damaged, some severely.

The act was being investigated as a possible car explosion, according to two law enforcement officials briefed on the matter who insisted on anonymity to discuss preliminary information from an ongoing investigation.

## IMF sets 11 new conditions for Pakistan

PTI, ISLAMABAD: The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has slapped 11 new conditions on Pakistan for the release of the next tranche of its bailout programme and warned that tensions with India could heighten risks to the scheme's fiscal, external, and reform goals, according to a media report on Sunday.

The new conditions imposed on Pakistan include the parliamentary approval of a new Rs 17.6 trillion budget, an increase in the debt servicing surcharge on electricity bills and lifting restrictions on import of more than three-year-old used cars.

The Express Tribune newspaper said the Staff Level report, which the IMF released on Saturday, also said that "rising tensions between India and Pakistan, if sustained or deteriorate further, could heighten risks to the fiscal, external and reform goals of the programme".

The report further stated that tensions between Pakistan and India have risen significantly over the past two weeks, but so far, the market reaction has been modest, with the stock market retaining most of its recent gains and spreads widening moderately.

## 'Alpha predator' sharks turn aggressive keep Israeli beach goes on tenterhooks

AFP, HADERA: With its golden sand and blue waters, the beach front in central Israel looks much like any other stretch of Mediterranean coast, but a closer look reveals something unusual peeking through the rippling surf: black shark fins.

The sharks are attracted to this patch of water in Hadera during the cold season because of the

warmth generated by the turbines of a nearby power station.

This has provoked an adrenaline-filled coexistence between the increasingly bold ocean predators and the curious, sometimes even careless, humans who come to swim.

Last month, a man who got a little too close was mauled to death as spectators on the beach screamed in terror.



Now, bathers, authorities, and environmental and shark experts are asking how such an event, never seen before in Israeli

waters, happened and what can be done to prevent it in the future.

"Sharks do not harm and never normally attack unless they feel either threatened or if somebody's getting into their territory," Irene Nurit Cohn, a member of rescue agency Zaka's scuba unit and a seasoned diver, told AFP.

"I've been diving since 1982. I've seen many sharks in my

life, it has been thrilling and beautiful to watch sharks... but they're not, and I repeat, they're not dangerous," she said.

Cohn, who was part of the team that searched for the remains of Barak Tzach, a 45-year-old father of four, added that it was the people visiting the unique site who were "not behaving as they should."

### PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public are hereby notified that my client MRS. CECILIA MARIA FERNANDES, 68 years of age, Widow of Late J. A. Henry Fernandes, Housewife and Resident of House No. 4/A, Go-Nidhi C.H.S. Bandra West, Mumbai, Maharashtra - 400050, vide Notice of Revocation dated 01.05.2025, have already revoked the Power of Attorney/ies namely Power of attorney dated 16-11-1987 (duly executed before Adv. G. J. Jain), Power of Attorney dated 12-07-1996 (duly executed before Adv. J. F. Saldanha), Power of Attorney dated 27-08-1997 (duly executed before Adv. G. J. Jain) and Power of Attorney dated 12-11-2024 (duly executed before the Notary Mr. G.N. Kharbe, Registered under No. 1393/2024), which Power of Attorney/ies were executed in favour of MR. AGNELO FERNANDES, Resident of House No. 12/69, Nr. St. Sebastian Chapel, Khorim, Mapusa, Bardez, Goa - 403507. The Original Power of Attorney/ies dated 16-11-1987, 12-07-1996, 27-08-1997 and 12-11-2024 respectively have not been returned / surrendered back by the said Mr. Agnelo Fernandes to my client after its notice of revocation.

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