



Union External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar during a meeting with the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) Tulsi Gabbard, in Washington



Thailand's suspended PM Paetongtarn Shinawatra arrives at Government House as she takes the oath of office as Minister of Culture in Bangkok



Italy's Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni (R), welcomes Malaysia's Prime Minister Anwar bin Ibrahim (L), for a meeting in Rome, Italy



Brazil's Economy Minister Fernando Haddad speaks with the media outside the house of the Brazilian ambassador in Buenos Aires

4 killed, 14 wounded in Chicago drive-by shooting: Police

AP, CHICAGO: Four people have died from gunshot wounds and 14 others have been hospitalised following a drive-by shooting in Chicago, police said Thursday. At least three were in critical condition.

The shooting happened late Wednesday in Chicago's River North neighbourhood, a popular nightlife destination with many restaurants and bars. Several media outlets said it happened outside a restaurant and lounge that had hosted an album release party for a rapper.

Someone opened fire into a crowd standing outside, police said, and the vehicle immediately drove away.

"When I arrived last night it was absolute chaos, from people screaming to blood on the streets, to people laying on the streets," said Chicago pastor Donovan Price, who

responds to communities and people in crisis.

He described the scene to reporters as "the worst I've seen — just people wanting to find their other people, find who was alive, finding where their phones were because they dropped them in the chaos."

Preliminary information from police said 13 women and five men ranging in age from 21 to 32 were shot, and that the dead included two men and two women. Those shot were taken to multiple hospitals, police said. Video showed people waiting and crying outside of hospitals. Other images showed multiple police and ambulances at the scene of the shooting.

Police said that nine people, including the two women who died, were taken to Northwestern Hospital. Five people, including the two men who died, were taken to John H. Stroger Hospital.

Gaza: 94 Palestinians killed, including dozens waiting for aid

AP, TEL AVIV: Airstrikes and shootings killed 94 Palestinians in Gaza overnight, including 45 who were attempting to get much-needed humanitarian aid, hospitals and the Health Ministry said on Thursday.

Israel's military did not immediately comment on the strikes.

Five people were killed while outside sites associated with the Gaza Humanitarian Foundation, the newly-created, secretive American organisation backed by Israel to feed the Gaza Strip's population, while 40 others were killed waiting for aid in other locations across the Gaza Strip.

Dozens of people were killed in airstrikes that pounded the Strip Wednesday night and Thursday morning, including 15 people killed in strikes that hit tents in the sprawling



Children look at smouldering debris at Mustafa Hafez school, sheltering Palestinians displaced by the war, following an overnight Israeli strike in Gaza City

Muwasi zone, where many displaced Palestinians are sheltering.

A separate strike on a school in Gaza City sheltering displaced people also killed 15 people.

Gaza's Health Ministry said the number of Palestinians killed in Gaza has passed 57,000, including

223 missing people who have been declared dead, since the war began on October 7, 2023.

The ministry doesn't differentiate between civilians and combatants in its death count but says that more than half of the dead are women and children.

The deaths come as Israel

and Hamas inch closer to a possible ceasefire that would end the 21-month war.

Trump said on Tuesday that Israel had agreed on terms for a 60-day ceasefire in Gaza and urged Hamas to accept the deal before conditions worsen. But Hamas' response, which emphasised its demand that the war end, raised questions about whether the latest offer could materialize into an actual pause in fighting.

The Israeli military blames Hamas for the civilian casualties because it operates from populated areas. The military said it targeted Hamas militants and rocket launchers in northern Gaza that launched rockets toward Israel on Wednesday.

The war began when Hamas-led militants attacked southern Israel, killing 1,200 people and taking roughly 250 hostages.

Russian strikes kill eight in Ukraine

AFP, KYIV: Russia launched a wave of attacks on Ukraine on Thursday, killing at least eight people and wounding dozens of others, Ukrainian officials said.

Among the sites hit were a military enlistment office in the eastern city of Poltava and port infrastructure in the southern city of Odesa.

Moscow has stepped up its drone and missile bombardment of Ukraine in recent weeks, with peace talks stalling and Kyiv's key ally Washington signalling it could cut military support.

The warring sides last met for direct talks more than a month ago and no further meeting has been organised.

The Ukrainian army reported there were "dead and wounded" at a recruitment office in Poltava.

Emergency services posted images of buildings on fire and rescue workers at the scene of the strike.

"Two people were killed," the emergency ser-

vices said. The region's police added 47 people were wounded.

In Odesa, two people were killed when "an Iskander missile" struck the seaport, Ukrainian Deputy Prime Minister Oleksiy Kuleba said on Telegram.

He added that six people had been wounded in the strike. In Ukraine's eastern Donetsk region, strikes killed four people, the regional prosecutor's office said.

"At least nine apartment buildings, three garages, a shop facade and a power line were damaged in the settlements," it added.

In Russia's Lipetsk region, debris from a Ukrainian drone killed a woman and wounded two other people, its governor said Thursday.

The debris fell on a building in Lipetsk, which lies about 400 kilometres (250 miles) southeast of Moscow, killing a woman in her seventies, Igor Artamonov wrote on Telegram.

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Wanted at Fr. Agnel Higher Secondary School, Pilar Goa. Laboratory Assistant on regular basis (1 post) Qualification: XII Science Age: below 42 years, Candidates registered with Employment Exchange may apply to The Principal/Manager on above address with biodata and copy of testimonials within eight days.

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Wanted at Fr. Agnel Higher Secondary School, Pilar Goa. Laboratory Attendant on regular basis (1 post) Qualification: S.S.C.E Age: below 42 years, Candidates registered with Employment Exchange may apply to The Principal/Manager on above address with biodata and copy of testimonials within eight days.

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Female Telly literate Accountant required for a medium trading firm in Margao. Person residing in an around Margao Contact: 9822125144.

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Teacher for preschool in Porvorim. Post graduate with good communication skills. No prior experience required. Whatsapp CV to 77700 15830.

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Female Receptionist Wanted for a Pet clinic in Panjim. Understanding in English and Konkani OR Hindi. Contact 9529804829

2025019486

Wanted a Trained teacher D.El.Ed. to teach in the Primary Section in a Maternity Leave vacancy. Candidates should appear for interview with testimonials and Employment exchange card on Thursday, 10.07.2025 at 10.15 a.m. at St. Mary's High School, Varca.

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Wanted Grade-I Teacher in Psychology (MA, B.Ed.) on Lecture basis for the academic year 2025-2026. Walk in interview on 07th July 2025(Monday) at 09 am in Presentation Convent Higher Secondary School, Fatorda. Interested candidates may attend the interview with application, testimonials and valid employment card.

2025019489

Required 12std passed Female Receptionist with Good Computer Skills for a Medical Centre in the heart of Margao City Job Timing 7.30am to 4.30 pm Salary as per Experience Rs-12,000/- Rs-15,000/- Whatsapp CV: 9011412574/ 9673113296

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Wanted an Art/ Dance/ Chess Teacher for a School in Curtorim having interest in Abacus/ Maths. Contact: 9823772456

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Wanted Female Sales Executive Leading Solar Firm, Quepem seeks growth-driven female executive for exciting sales role. Salary 12k-15k+ Incentives. Career-focused candidates can WhatsApp CV to 9359396115.

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Chinese Allrounder /Goan Cooks, Waiters Experienced, Dishwasher / Kitchen Helper Wanted for Reputed Family Restaurant Margao. Good Salary 9011047077 / 9860534077

2025019493

Male required for night shift receptionist/front desk post for lodge in Margao. Salary 17,000. Education qualification Graduate. Contact 9823116505

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SITUATIONS VACANT

St. Mary's Convent High School, Mapusa require Librarian XII (Dip in Library) on contract basis till 31st march 2026. Candidates should be registered in employment exchange. Interview on 8th July 2025 at 9 am

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Optometrist Wanted for Eyeclinic in Margao. Contact 9527800973

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Required Female Office Assistant with fluent English, Computer Experience Graduation and Female Tour Codinator Fresher /Experience, and Female Clerk for Cleaning and Office Work, XII passed Contact 9822168585 Margao

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We're Hiring Partners- Margao Office (MDA) Join our growing team and build a rewarding career! Earn Rs 5-6 lakhs annually. Age 35+. Work just a few hours a day. Visit office only 2-3 times a week. Call 8007097850

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Vacancy for Staff for Courier Company for packing job in Nuvem, preferably Male Christian. Salary 10,000/- WhatsApp your CV 8329880348 (strictly no calls).

2025019533

Wanted Service Technician for water purifier/RO system. Must have experience with valid driving licence. Contact: Aquaflo Enterprises - 9529591839- Margao.

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Wanted experienced Driver urgently, of Goan origin, resident of Panjim and surrounding area. Contact - 9175462754, 7028715764

2025019538

Urgently required for 7 Star hotel in Dubai Waiters bell boy kitchen helper cashiers billing clerk Contact on WhatsApp number 8806761023

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TOURS & TRAVELS

Vailankanni Pilgrimage leaving from Taleigao on 27th August for Maddi and two novenas, by AC Luxury bus, fully reclining seats, LCD TV. Contact Patrick 9823285181.

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VEHICLES AVAILABLE

Vehicle for Sale Hyundai Creta 2017, Petrol Manual 92k kms. Single Owner 6 lacs. Contact 9527800973

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Nri Wagon r vxi (stingray) 2014 passion red only 22008km 22kmpllt P/steering, p/windows, cd, c/locking new tyres magwheels projector headlight. Woofer amp luxury interiors showroom condition 7066811804.

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Nri Alto lxi 2009 Silver 85008km 22kmpllt p/steering, ac newtyre rto passing 2029 excellent condition 9326811763.

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Doctor driven Alto k10 vxi 2015 white 55008km 22kmpllt P/steering, p/windows, cd, c/locking newtyre showroom condition 7769811763.

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VEHICLES WANTED

We buy all Car's & Bike's. Maruti, Toyota, Hyundai, Honda (Vintage Car's) etc, even accidental and scrap car's. Spot payment-8381027157

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Iran diplomat says open to talks if US rules out military action

AFP, TEHRAN: A senior Iranian diplomat said Thursday his country remains open to diplomacy provided the United States offers guarantees it will not resort to military action against the Islamic republic.

The remarks came as US news website Axios, citing two unidentified sources, reported that

White House Middle East envoy Steve Witkoff was planning to meet Iran's foreign minister and chief negotiator, Abbas Araghchi, in Oslo next week.

Neither Tehran nor Washington confirmed the Axios report which said a final date for the talks has yet to be set.

"We are for diplomacy," Iran's

deputy foreign minister, Majid Takht-Ravanchi told NBC News, adding the United States should "convince us that they are not going to use military force while we are negotiating."

"That is an essential element for our leadership to be in a position to decide about the future round of talks," he

added.

Tehran and Washington had held five rounds of nuclear talks since April 12 and were set to hold a new round two days before Israel launched a bombing campaign against Iran on June 13.

The Israeli strikes targeted Iranian nuclear sites and killed sev-

eral senior military officials and nuclear scientists.

On June 22, Israel's ally the United States launched unprecedented strikes of its own on Iranian nuclear facilities at Fordo, Isfahan and Natanz.

More than 900 people were killed in Iran during the conflict, according to the judiciary.

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1K PROPERTIES MAY REVERT TO RP '21 AFTER HC ORDER

Additionally, 694 properties were reverted based on recommendations made by a government-appointed Review Committee during the tenure of Calangute MLA Michael Lobo, who then served as chairman of the North Goa Planning and Development Authority (NGPDA) in the 2012-2019 period. There were 377 conversions under former Town and Country Planning (TCP) Secretary Rajesh Naik, during the drafting of the 2022 Outline Development Plan (ODP). Naik is currently under a vigilance inquiry.

RELENTLESS RAINS BATTER GOA, DAILY LIFE DISRUPTED

PWD's Executive Engineer Division VI, Fatorda, was ordered to promptly clean and desilt all drains, culverts, and cross drains in the affected areas, ensuring unobstructed water flow and implementing flood prevention measures. A compliance report is expected within 48 hours.

Simultaneously, the Electricity Department's Executive Engineer W.D-VII, Quepem, was instructed to inspect power infrastructure, including poles and transformers, in the flooded zones. The department is to ensure safety, provide round-the-clock monitoring, and immediately report any hazards or outages to the Deputy Collector and SDO-II, Salcate.

The Deputy Collector has been tasked with coordinating efforts between both departments to guarantee full compliance with the order. The DDMA's intervention comes amid ongoing monsoon rains that have raised alarm over public safety and the state of vital infrastructure across Goa.

Waterlogging was also reported at Gogol Housing Board, Margao, with residents expressing frustration over persistent flooding issues.

In North Goa's Bhatwadi area of Arambol, heavy rains caused severe water accumulation on the main road, creating major difficulties for commuters. With no proper drainage system, stagnant water remained for days, leading to multiple accidents involving two-wheelers. The area was visited by MLA Jit Arolkar and Arambol Panchayat Sarpanch Anupama Mayekar.

Panjim and its surrounding areas also was not free of water logging, forcing motorists to wade through flooded streets. A retaining wall collapsed in Chimbol, adding to the woes.

Over the 24 hours ending at 8:30 am on July 3, 2025, several regions recorded heavy rainfall: Mapusa (6.9 inches), Pernem (4.6), Panjim (6), Old Goa (7.3), Sanquelim (6.4), Ponda (4.6), Dharbandora (9), Canacona (5), Dabolim (5.5), Margao (7.3), Mormugao (4.5), Quepem (6.1), and Sanguem (6.8).

The IMD issued an orange alert for July 4, warning of heavy to very heavy rainfall at isolated places in both North and South Goa, along with gusty winds reaching 50 kmph.

INDIAN TECHIE ACCUSED OF SERIAL MOONLIGHTING

Justin Harvey of AI Video and Adish Jain of Mosaic both admitted nearly hiring Parekh, who had impressed during interviews but ultimately proved unreliable. Warp, another startup, cancelled a trial engagement with him after hearing the allegations.

Adding fuel to the debate, AI investor Deedy Das weighed in, calling Parekh "the tip of the iceberg" and highlighting the rise of remote workers holding multiple jobs. Das shared tactics used by such individuals, including mouse jigglers, blocked calendars, AI-generated work, and strategic calendar management to maintain the illusion of productivity. He referenced Reddit forums where users openly boast about juggling multiple jobs and earning hefty salaries — some claiming to make over \$800,000 annually.

