



We should uphold the principle of indivisibility of security, build a balanced, effective and sustainable security architecture, and oppose the building of national security on the basis of insecurity in other countries.

Chinese President **Xi Jinping** proposes 'global security initiative'



Flames and smoke rise during Israeli airstrikes central Gaza strip, yesterday. Palestinian militants fired volleys of rockets from Gaza into Israel, which responded with air strikes in the early hours of yesterday in the biggest escalation since an 11-day war last year. The exchanges come after nearly a month of deadly violence in Israel and the Palestinian territories, focused on Jerusalem's flashpoint Al-Aqsa Mosque compound, known to Jews as the Temple Mount.

PHOTO: AFP

Blast kills 12 at Shia mosque in Afghanistan

AGENCIES

An explosion claimed by Islamic State militant group at a Shia mosque in the northern Afghan city of Mazar-e-Sharif yesterday killed at least 12 people and wounded 58, a health official said.

A separate blast killed at least 4 more in Kunduz, another northern Afghan city, according to a provincial health official.

The explosions came during the Islamic holy month of Ramadan and two days after blasts tore through a high school in a predominantly Shia Hazara area in western Kabul, killing at least six.

The Shia community, a religious minority in Afghanistan, is frequently targeted by Sunni militant groups.

Hospitals in Kunduz had received 11 killed or wounded people in a separate explosion, according to Najebullah Sahel, from Kunduz's provincial health authority.

There were no details on the location or cause of the blast in Kunduz.

'She was everything'

Orphaned Palestinians mourn unarmed mother shot by Israeli soldier

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When Ghada Sabatien set out to visit her uncle in a village near Bethlehem, she was not expecting to be caught up in the spike in violence between Israelis and Palestinians.

But the unarmed 45-year-old, who was partially sighted and understood little Hebrew, bled to death in the street after "mistakenly" being shot by an Israeli soldier.

She leaves behind six orphans.

The West Bank village of Husan is usually a quiet backwater, despite being close to a major crossing into Israel. The shops have signs in both Arabic and Hebrew, and even Israeli settlers regularly stop there to buy groceries, with few tensions.

At the entrance to the village, Israeli soldiers sit guard on a concrete island that serves as a checkpoint.

On April 10, Ghada set out to visit her uncle, wearing a hijab and long gown. On the way back, the walk took her past the makeshift checkpoint.

As she approached, a soldier fired warning shots and shouted.

Ghada has "eye problems", her family said, adding that she did not speak Hebrew as she had spent years abroad.

In footage caught by a Palestinian TV crew that happened to be filming nearby, she appeared to panic. But she kept walking. The soldier opened fire at her legs, and she fell to the floor.

It took several minutes for an ambulance to arrive. By the time she reached a hospital

in the nearby town of Beit Jala, she had lost catastrophic amounts of blood.

She died in the hospital. Ghada was not wearing an explosive vest or carrying any kind of weapon.

Her family have been in shock and anger ever since she was killed.

"My sister went there and asked a soldier in Hebrew: 'Did she do anything wrong?'" Ghada's mother Houria Sabatien, 69, told AFP.

"He answered: 'No'. 'So why did you shoot at her?'" she asked. The soldier said: 'Sorry.'

Around her sat her grandchildren, four of Ghada's orphans: Omar, Jamila, Mohammed and Moustafa, their eyes glued to the floor.

Moustafa, 15, is struggling to comprehend the tragedy.

"When I lost my mother, it was as if life no longer had any meaning. She was the one who woke us up in the morning, she was the one who welcomed us back from school, she was the one who took care of us," he said.

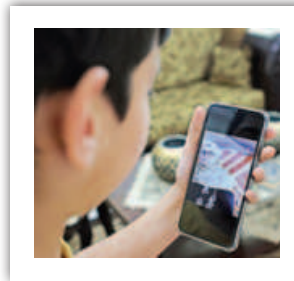
He said he had received an apology from the Israeli army for their "mistake".

"She was everything, she cannot be replaced."

Born into a family of scientists, Ghada Sabatien graduated with a degree in mathematics at Bethlehem University and spent 15 years in Jordan, where she was a teacher.

After her husband died four years ago, Ghada returned to Husan with the children.

The tragedy sparked anger, both among Palestinians and overseas. In a rare move, Washington's envoy to the Palestinians, George Noll, called the family to express his condolences.



SINGAPORE Shuttered news site's editor jailed

AFP, Singapore

The editor of a shuttered Singaporean news website was jailed three weeks for defamation over a letter the portal published alleging corruption among government ministers.

It is the latest case to fuel concerns about worsening press freedoms in tightly controlled Singapore.

The Online Citizen (TOC), which was often critical of authorities, had its licence to operate cancelled in October over a failure to declare funding sources.

Terry Xu, TOC's former chief editor, was convicted the following month of defaming cabinet members over the publication of a letter stating there was "corruption at the highest echelons".

District Judge Ng Peng Hong sentenced Xu to three weeks' jail yesterday.

Singapore's media sector is dominated by pro-government outlets. The city-state ranks 160th out of 180 countries and territories in Reporters Without Borders' World Press Freedom Index.

Australia will not challenge Assange extradition

AFP, Sydney

Australia will not challenge Wikileaks founder Julian Assange's extradition to the United States and has confidence in the British judicial system, a senior government minister said yesterday. A British court issued a formal order Wednesday for the Australian national to be extradited to the United States, where he would face trial for the publication of a trove of secret files relating to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. If convicted, he could face up to 175 years in prison. Following the British court's order, Assange's lawyers have until May 18 to make submissions to Britain's interior minister Priti Patel, with whom the final decision about his extradition rests. A coalition of 25 human rights groups -- including the American Civil Liberties Union, Human Rights Watch and Reporters Without Borders -- has challenged Assange's extradition saying it poses a "grave threat to press freedom both in the US and abroad".

Queen Elizabeth II turns 96

AFP, London

Queen Elizabeth II turned 96 yesterday, receiving a rousing "Happy Birthday" from a military band outside her Windsor Castle home, after a troubled year hit by health concerns. The Band of the Coldstream Guards, in red tunics and bearskin hats, played the tribute to crowds of onlookers, before a barrage of ceremonial gun salutes across the country. But the queen -- the oldest and longest-serving head of state in the world -- marked the occasion with little fanfare, retreating to her Sandringham country estate in eastern England for a short break. No official engagements have been planned, although royal officials released a photograph of the horse-loving head of state with two of her fell ponies. Royal tradition since the 18th century has also seen the monarch have a second, official birthday, typically celebrated in warmer weather in June.



False alarm sees US Capitol evacuated

AFP, Washington

The US Capitol was briefly evacuated Wednesday after a false alarm saw police tracking an aircraft they said was a "probable threat" -- but reportedly turned out to be carrying parachutists as part of a baseball pregame show. Police tasked with protecting the complex at the heart of US government in Washington issued an initial statement shortly after 2230 GMT saying they had ordered an evacuation as they were "tracking an aircraft that poses a probable threat." They did not give further details. Neither the House of Representatives nor the Senate, the chambers of Congress that are located in the Capitol, were in session at the time of the scare. Despite Wednesday's scare being a false alarm, lawmakers and visitors were shaken by the warning. "We just went through a very stressful 15 minutes, but we are thankful that everyone is safe," congresswoman Teresa Fernandez said on Twitter.

There are countries within Nato who want the (Ukraine) war to continue. They want Russia to become weaker.

Turkish FM **Mevlut Cavusoglu**

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e-Tender Notice No. 11/2021-22

e-Tender has been invited through National e-GP System Portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of following goods and works under the Project "Construction of Scavenger's Colony in Narayanganj City Corporation" and NCC's own fund.

SL No.	Tender ID No.	Package No. & description of work	Online tender notice publication date	Online tender closing date
1	685401	NCC-CC-1-5/GD-1 Supplying and installation of lift of Scavenger's Colony at Rishipara under Narayanganj City Corporation.	21-04-2022	Please see tender notice in e-GP
2	685289	NCC-WASA-2021-22-PG-04 Procurement of 300 MT Bleaching Powder for Godnail & Sonakanda Water Works under Water Supply Division of Narayanganj City Corporation. (Own fund)	do	do
3	685290	NCC-WASA-2021-22-PG-05 Supply of 11KV Current Transformer (CT) and Potential Transformer (PT) under Water Supply Division of Narayanganj City Corporation. (Own fund)	do	do
4	683375	NCC-OWN-21-22-OTM-PG-03 Supplying and Installation, Testing & commissioning of 1000 kg 4 Nos Lift (Passenger and Fire) at Padda City Plaza-2 (15 storied) commercial cum residential building in 15 No. ward under Narayanganj City Corporation. (Own fund)	do	do
5	686127	NCC-OWN-21-22-OTM-PG-06 Supplying and Installation, Testing & Commissioning of 630 Kg 3 Nos Fire Lift at Korobi Plaza under Narayanganj City Corporation. (Own fund)	do	do

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1	687174	Supply of Research Equipment	20-Apr-2022	05-May-2022	05-May-2022	05-May-2022	OTM
2	687156	Supply of Chemicals	20-Apr-2022	05-May-2022	05-May-2022	05-May-2022	OTM
3	687167	Supply of Computers and Accessories	20-Apr-2022	05-May-2022	05-May-2022	05-May-2022	LTM
4	687173	Supply of Others Stationary	20-Apr-2022	05-May-2022	05-May-2022	05-May-2022	LTM

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