

Trump aiming to bring Iran ‘to its knees’

Says Iran’s president

AFP, Tehran

Iran’s president yesterday accused his US counterpart Donald Trump of seeking to bring the Islamic republic “to its knees” as the country marked the 1979 revolution that toppled the shah.

The revolution removed a pro-US government in Iran, and the subsequent hostage-taking of American diplomats in Tehran ushered in decades of hostility between the United States and Iran.

This year’s celebrations carry additional weight following Trump’s return to the White House. During his first term, Trump he pursued a policy of “maximum pressure” against the Islamic republic.

In the morning, people gathered in public spaces across Iran, accompanied by pop songs and patriotic ballads, to celebrate the anniversary of the overthrow of shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi.

In Tehran, they headed to the symbolic Azadi tower, whose name means



“freedom” in Persian, and which is in a square formerly named in honour of the shah.

“Trump says, ‘we want to talk’, and... (then) he signs in a memorandum all the conspiracies to bring our revolution to its knees,” Pezeshkian told the crowd, referring to Trump’s reinstatement of sanctions against Tehran earlier this month.

“We are not looking for war,” he said, while adding that Iran “will never bow to foreigners.”

Chanting anti-American and anti-Israeli slogans, crowds formed Monday in the streets of Shiraz and Bandar Abbas in the south, Rasht in the north, Kermanshah and Sanandaj in the west, and the holy city of Mashhad in the east, according to images broadcast on television.

Attendees, many of them families, carried portraits of supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and the green, red and white flag of Iran, as well as the banners of Tehran-backed groups such as Hezbollah.



Destroyed buildings are pictured near Nuseirat in the central Gaza Strip yesterday.

PHOTO: AFP

Palestinians have no right of return under Gaza plan: Trump

AFP, Washington

President Donald Trump said Palestinians would have no right to return to Gaza under his US takeover plan, describing his proposal in excerpts of an interview released yesterday as a “real estate development for the future.”

Trump told Fox News Channel’s Bret Baier that “I would own it” and that there could be as many as six different sites for Palestinians to live outside Gaza under the plan, which the Arab world and others in the international community have rejected.

“No, they wouldn’t, because they’re going to have much better housing,” Trump said when Baier asked if the Palestinians would have the right to return to the enclave, most of which has been reduced to rubble by Israel’s military since October 2023.

“In other words, I’m talking about building a permanent place for them because if they have to return now, it’ll be years before you could ever – it’s not habitable.”

Trump first revealed the shock Gaza plan during a joint news conference with visiting Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Tuesday, drawing outrage from Palestinians.

The US president pressed his case for Palestinians to be moved out of Gaza, devastated by the Israel-Hamas war, and for Egypt and Jordan to take them.

In the Fox interview – which was scheduled to be broadcast yesterday after the first half was screened a day earlier – Trump said he would build “beautiful communities” for the more than two million Palestinians who live in Gaza.

“Could be five, six, could be two. But we’ll build safe communities, a little bit away from where they are, where all of this danger is,” added Trump.

“In the meantime, I would own this. Think of it as a real estate development for the future. It would be a beautiful piece of land. No big money spent.”

Trump stunned the world when he announced out of the blue last week that the United States would “take over the Gaza Strip,” remove rubble and

unexploded bombs and turn it into the “Riviera of the Middle East.”

Netanyahu on Sunday praised Trump’s proposal as “revolutionary”, striking a triumphant tone in a statement to his cabinet following his return from Washington.

The reaction from much of the rest of the world has been one of outrage, with Egypt, Jordan, other Arab nations and the Palestinians all rejecting it out of hand.

The criticism was not limited to the Arab world, with German Chancellor Olaf Scholz on Sunday labeling the plan “a scandal,” adding that the forced relocation of Palestinians would be “unacceptable and against international law.”

Trump, however, repeated his insistence that he could persuade Egypt and Jordan, both major recipients of US military aid, to come around.

“I think I could make a deal with Jordan. I think I could make a deal with Egypt. You know, we give them billions and billions of dollars a year,” he told Fox.

Mobs will be dealt with a firm hand from now on

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to be a failure will not be tolerated in the slightest,” the post read.

“Touhidi Janata! After a decade and a half, you have got the opportunity to practice your religion and culture in peace. Your recklessness or extremism is about to destroy that peace,” reads his post.

Asking all to refrain from oppression, he wrote, “Refrain from oppression; otherwise, oppression against you will be inevitable.”

He also shared a verse from the Quran that reads, “Do not oppress and do not be subjected to oppression.”

“This is our final request to you!” concluded his post.

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had illegally acquired large amounts of assets, and some of this wealth had been smuggled to the United Arab Emirates, USA, Malaysia, Singapore, and Canada.

On December 15 last year, the ACC filed four cases against Benazir, his wife Zeesan Mirza, and their daughters.

According to the case documents, Benazir allegedly acquired illegal assets worth Tk 9.44 crore and concealed information about assets worth Tk 2.62 crore.

On May 23 last year, the same court ordered the authorities concerned to confiscate properties under 83 deeds and freeze

33 bank accounts in the name of Benazir and his family members.

Three days later, the court also ordered the authorities concerned to confiscate assets under 119 more deeds of Benazir and his family members in connection with alleged corruption.

It also directed them to confiscate eight fully owned and 15 partially owned properties by Benazir and his family.

On April 18, the graft watchdog decided to launch an inquiry into the corruption allegations against Benazir. It also formed a three-member committee to probe the allegations.

5 organisations leak

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organisations currently use the NID verification service.

The EC secretary further said, “We are investigating whether this happened due to negligence or intentional misconduct. If anyone is found to have done this deliberately, it will be considered a punishable offence.”

“There should be a limit on data usage. Keeping it open and then blaming the perpetrators is not the right approach,” he added.

He further said that some organisations are sharing the service with others, violating contractual terms.

The EC will review how much data each entity is accessing and whether it exceeds their actual requirements, in consultation with stakeholders.

343 more held across country

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were also seized.

The government said this is a police-led operation, with the army and other forces providing assistance.

In another development, Home Adviser Lt Gen (retd) Jahangir Alam Chowdhury yesterday said several committees have been formed to ensure that no innocent person is harassed during the operation.

“Only those involved in criminal activities will be arrested in Operation Devil Hunt. Even law enforcement officials will not be outside the purview of the operation.

It will continue until the country is free from devils,” he said while speaking to reporters after a meeting with law enforcement agencies at the Office of Deputy Commissioner, Rajshahi.

Speaking to reporters after a meeting with the chief adviser yesterday evening, BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir said there should be no repetition of “previous incidents” during Operation Devil Hunt and that no innocent person should be harassed.

In a statement, Jatiya Party Chairman GM Quader

yesterday alleged that “ghost cases” are being filed during Operation Devil Hunt.

He claimed that the operation is being used to suppress opposition voices, particularly his party.

“Our party is facing repression. Numerous false cases have been filed against our leaders and activists. Many are being arrested, and they are not even being granted bail.”

Quader also alleged that their party’s political activities, including meetings, rallies, and processions, are being obstructed.

Earlier, the home adviser

said the operation will target those who attempt to destabilise the country, break the law, and engage in criminal activities.

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Analysing reports from some districts, The Daily Star found that the arrestees are mostly members of the Awami League and its associate bodies.

Many of them are accused in cases filed after the fall of the Sheikh Hasina-led government on August 5.

In Gazipur, at least 100 people, mostly AL leaders including a former MP, were arrested.

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e-Tender Notice No: 2024-2025/49

e-Tender is invited in the National e-GP System portal (<http://www.eprocure.gov.bd>) for the procurement of the following works under EED Jamalpur as mentioned below:

Tender ID	Name of works	Publication Date/time	Closing date & Opening Date
1004762	Manufacturing & Supplying Furniture at Tebirchar High School, Sadar, Jamalpur.	10.02.2025 at 15.00	26.02.2025 at 12.00
1004768	Manufacturing & Supplying Furniture at Boira Israil Ahmmad High Schoool, Sarishabari, Jamalpur.	10.02.2025 at 15.00	26.02.2025 at 12.00
1004769	Manufacturing & Supplying Furniture at Langaljura High School, Sadar, Jamalpur.	10.02.2025 at 15.00	26.02.2025 at 12.00

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Date: 9.02.2025

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Sl. No.	Tender ID, Ref. No. & Package no.	Name of Works	Last Selling date and Time	Tender Closing Date & Time
1.	Tender ID 1072543 Ref & Package no. DSOC/ICT/2024-2025/001/01_1	Yearly 1500 Mbps bandwidth Supply to Dhaka South City Corporation Head Office, Zonal Office(1-10), 75 Ward Offices 03 water pumps, 03 Hospitals and 10 Wireless Towers including maintenance works.	25-Feb'2025 15.00	25-Feb'2025 16.00

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