

Israeli strikes across Gaza kill 73 Palestinians

13 more died due to starvation; Belgium to recognise Palestinian state at UNGA

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Gaza's civil defence agency said yesterday that Israeli strikes across the enclave killed at least 73 people, including five individuals seeking humanitarian aid.

Spokesman Mahmud Bassal said in a statement to AFP that Israeli warplanes hit the top floor of a residential building in southwestern Gaza City, killing 10 people.

Bassal said Israeli helicopters also struck an apartment in the west of the city, killing three and wounding several others.

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City, which Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu wants to speed up, despite warnings from senior ranks.

Israeli Army Radio said that some 40,000 reservists would report for duty for the Gaza City offensive. The military said it was readying logistically for the intake of reservists ahead of the offensive.

Israel currently holds about 75 percent of the Gaza Strip, reports Reuters.

At least 63,557 Palestinians have been killed in Israel's air and ground war in Gaza since the offensive began on October 7, 2023, according to Gaza health officials.

Meanwhile, Belgium will recognise the State of Palestine at the United Nations General Assembly in September, its foreign minister announced yesterday.

Turkey's President Recep Tayyip Erdogan yesterday urged the United States to "revisit" its decision to deny visas to members of the Palestinian Authority to attend the UN General Assembly this month.



Firefighters work at the site of car garages damaged by a Russian drone strike in Bila Tserkva, Kyiv region, Ukraine, yesterday.

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China-Russia ties at an 'unprecedented level'

Putin tells Xi during talks in Beijing

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Russian President Vladimir Putin told his Chinese counterpart Xi Jinping yesterday that their countries' ties were at an "unprecedented level", during talks in Beijing ahead of a massive military parade.

Today's showcase of China's might has been seized by world leaders as an opportunity to hold rare face-to-face talks, with North Korea's Kim Jong Un expected

to hold summits with both Putin and Xi according to South Korean sources.

Xi himself has embarked on a flurry of diplomatic meetings this week, including attendance at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit in the northern city of Tianjin - a forum that China sees as an alternative to Western-dominated international cooperation.

Xi hosted Putin for talks at the

Great Hall of the People and then at his personal residence, calling him his "old friend". A few hours later, Kim Jong Un's armoured train was spotted by a Reuters witness arriving in the Chinese capital.

Meeting Xi yesterday, Putin told him "our close communication reflects the strategic nature of Russian-Chinese ties, which are currently at an unprecedented level", according to a pooled live feed.

1,000 killed in Sudan landslide

Says rebel group as entire village wiped out

REUTERS

An armed group that controls part of western Sudan yesterday pleaded for international help recovering bodies and rescuing residents from torrential rain, after at least 1,000 people were killed in a landslide that wiped out a mountain village on Sunday.

Only one person survived the destruction of the village of Tarseen in the mountainous Jebel Marra area of the Darfur region, said the Sudan Liberation Movement/Army.

SLM/A, which has long controlled and governed an autonomous portion of Jebel Marra, appealed to the United Nations and international aid agencies to help collect the bodies of victims, including men, women and children.

"Tarseen, famed for its citrus production, has now been completely levelled to the ground," the group said in a statement. Residents of al-Fashir and nearby areas have sought shelter in Jebel Marra.

UN warns scenes in Myanmar mirror 2017 atrocities

AFP, Geneva



The humanitarian situation in Myanmar is worsening, the UN said yesterday, decrying scenes reminiscent of the 2017 atrocities committed against the Rohingya minority that some countries deemed a genocide.

UN rights chief Volker Turk warned that both the military and local ethnic fighters from Arakan Army "have acted with near complete impunity enabling the recurrence of violations in an endless cycle of suffering for the civilian population".

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US seeking regime change Says Venezuela's Maduro after US naval build-up

REUTERS, Caracas

The US is seeking a regime change in his country with a naval deployment in the Caribbean, Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro said on Monday in a rare press conference.

Tensions between the US and Venezuela have risen in recent weeks amid a large US naval buildup in the Southern Caribbean and nearby waters, which US officials say aims to address threats from Latin American drug cartels. US President Donald Trump has made cracking down on drug cartels a central goal of his administration, part of a wider effort to limit migration and secure the US southern border.

But Maduro, Venezuelan Interior Minister Diosdado Cabello and other officials have said the US is threatening to overthrow his government.



20 missing after deadly Indonesia protests

AFP, Jakarta

At least 20 people are missing after violent protests, sparked by lavish perks for Indonesian lawmakers that have widened to include anger against police, a rights group said yesterday.

At least six people have been killed since protests rocked Southeast Asia's biggest economy last week, intensified by footage spreading of the killing of a young delivery driver by a paramilitary police unit.

The unrest emerged in cities across Indonesia, forcing President Prabowo Subianto into a U-turn on lawmaker perks after the worst protests since the ex-general took power last year. The KontraS said 23 reports of missing persons had been received by Monday.

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