

AFGHAN BORDER

Army kills 30 militants in Pakistan

Says they belonged to Pak Taliban

AFP, Islamabad

Pakistan security forces killed 30 militants in two targeted operations near the Afghan frontier, the army said yesterday, a week after a suicide bombing killed 12 people in Islamabad.

The militants belonged to the Pakistani Taliban or its affiliated groups, the military said in a statement, accusing archfoe India of backing them.

The raids took place in the Kurram district of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province, a flashpoint for cross-border militancy that has worsened since the Taliban returned to power in Afghanistan in 2021.

"Pakistan will continue at full pace to wipe out menace of foreign sponsored and supported terrorism from the country," the statement added.

Islamabad has



routinely accused Kabul of harbouring militant groups, particularly the Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), that stage deadly attacks in Pakistan.

Pakistan has also stepped up rhetoric against India in recent months, which it claims backs militant groups.

Both neighbours deny any involvement. The raids come after a suicide bombing outside a court in Islamabad killed 12 people and wounded dozens last week, which Pakistan said was planned from Afghanistan.

A faction of the Pakistani Taliban claimed responsibility for the attack.



Mourners react during the funeral of Palestinians killed in overnight Israeli strikes, at Nasser Hospital in Khan Younis in southern Gaza, yesterday. Inset, a displaced Palestinian man holds the body of his child, Salem, killed in Israeli strikes, at Al-Shifa Hospital in Gaza City.

PHOTO: REUTERS, AFP



Israeli strikes on Gaza a ‘dangerous escalation’

Qatar warns after 31 Palestinians killed in 2 days, says fragile truce at risk

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Qatar, a key mediator in the Hamas-Israel war, yesterday condemned fresh Israeli air strikes on the Gaza Strip, saying they threatened to upend a fragile weeks-long truce.

Qatar condemned “brutal attacks by the Israeli occupation in the Gaza Strip... and considers them a dangerous escalation that threatens to undermine the ceasefire agreement,” its foreign ministry said in a statement.

Doha also called for “concerted regional and international efforts to preserve and uphold the ceasefire agreement.”

Earlier yesterday, a Gaza hospital said four people were killed in new Israeli air strikes. The new attacks came the morning after one of the deadliest days in the Gaza Strip since the truce came into effect on October 10, with 27 people killed, according to Gaza’s civil

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defence agency, which operates under Hamas authority.

Israel and Hamas have accused each other of violating the ceasefire.

A source at Gaza’s Hamas-run interior ministry, who did not wish to be identified, said artillery fire was continuing in the Khan Yunis area, reports AFP.

“These ongoing crimes represent a blatant disregard by the occupation for the ceasefire agreement,” Hamas said in a statement.

Dutch Foreign Minister David van Weel said

he believes the ceasefire in Gaza “is holding”, telling reporters that there would be violations, but that Trump’s plan, which was endorsed by the UN Security Council this week, had more support than any plan in the past. “It won’t be easy,” he told reporters at a meeting of European foreign ministers in Brussels.

Meanwhile, US Senator Cory Booker and Representative Dan Goldman have called on President Donald Trump to pressure Israel to prevent settler violence in the occupied West Bank and hold perpetrators accountable.

In a letter sent Wednesday night, the Democratic lawmakers said such violence occurs “on a near daily basis” yet perpetrators are rarely held accountable, reports Al Jazeera online.

Israeli forces also carried out a mass arrest campaign in Hebron governorate for a second straight day yesterday, rounding up dozens of people in a local stadium.

INDO-PAK CONFLICT

China ran campaign to discredit French fighter: US panel

REUTERS, New Delhi

China ran a disinformation campaign to hurt sales of the French Rafale fighter jet after India used the planes in May for the first time against Chinese weapons deployed by its neighbour Pakistan, a bipartisan US commission said this month in a report that the Chinese rejected as false information.

The report by the US-China Economic and Security Review Commission was published on Tuesday and followed the signing of a letter of intent by Ukraine to obtain up to 100 Rafale fighters made by Dassault Aviation over the next 10 years.

More than half a dozen countries have bought the Rafale, whose reputation took a hit this year when Pakistan’s Chinese-made J-10 fighter shot down at least one Rafale used by India during a four-day conflict between the nuclear-armed neighbours.

China used fake social media accounts to share AI-generated images as well as video game images of supposed debris of aircraft that Chinese weaponry had destroyed, the commission said in a report to US Congress.

“The report issued by the committee itself is false,” Chinese foreign ministry spokesperson Mao Ning said in response to a Reuters request for comment.

Trump to meet Mamdani at White House today

AFP, Washington

US President Donald Trump said he will host New York’s mayor-elect Zohran Mamdani for a meeting today, after fiercely attacking the 34-year-old self-described Democratic Socialist during his recent campaign.

Trump, while repeating his false claim that Mamdani is a “communist,” said on his Truth Social platform that the meeting “will take place at the Oval Office on Friday, November 21st.”

M a m d a n i ’ s spokesperson Dora Pekec confirmed the meeting in a statement. “As is customary for an incoming mayoral administration, the Mayor-elect plans to meet with the President in Washington to discuss public safety, economic security...,” Pekec said Wednesday.



IAEA demands Iran open up bombed nuke sites

AFP, Vienna

The International Atomic Energy Agency board yesterday passed a resolution demanding that Iran provide “full and prompt” cooperation including access to sensitive nuclear sites, but Tehran immediately rejected the measure.

Long-simmering tensions with the UN nuclear watchdog flared anew after Israeli and US strikes on Iranian sites in June. UN inspectors have not had access to any of the damaged complex.

IAEA chief Rafael Grossi renewed a call for Tehran to let inspectors into the key nuclear sites and the agency’s governing board passed a resolution proposed by the US, UK, France and Germany by 19 votes to three with 12 abstentions.



People waded through floodwaters past submerged vehicles in Nha Trang, in Vietnam’s coastal Khanh Hoa province, yesterday. Authorities said at least 16 people were killed.

PHOTO: AFP

Tunisians protest against crackdown on press freedom

AFP, Tunis

Dozens of Tunisians including journalists yesterday protested to denounce attacks on press freedom, with some describing the crackdown on media as “unprecedented” since the country’s 2011 revolution.

Demonstrators slammed recent legal and administrative restrictions, including the temporary shutdown of two independent news outlets and the jailing of journalists.


“Tunisian journalism is at its worst since the 2011 revolution,” said Mahdi Jlassi, a journalist and former head of the National Syndicate of Tunisian Journalists (SNJT), which called for the demonstration.

“Today we’re seeing unprecedented repression of freedom of the press and expression,” he told AFP.

“Innocent journalists are jailed in unjust trials, stripped of their rights and punished for doing their job.”

Independent media outlets Inkyfada and Nawaat were recently among about 20 NGOs that were handed administrative suspensions over accusations including receiving suspicious funds.

“Injustice in this country is becoming widespread, and it is our duty as journalists to be able to shed light on that without fear,” said Zied Dabbar, the current head of the SNJT.



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| 1162200 | 27.21.0000.449.07 .007.25.789; Date: 15.10.2025 | Deadline Checking Work of Various Transmission Lines under GMD, Power Grid, Sylhet. | 04-Dec-2025 at 13:00 |

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INVITATION OF TENDER
161 FIELD WORKSHOP COMPANY
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1. Financial year 2025-2026 sealed quotations are invited from bonafide reputed and enlisted (Headquarters 17 Infantry Division) firms of Bangladesh Army who all are renewed (2025-2026) of local repair of Vehicle/Equipment as below:

| Ser | Tender no | Description of work | Date of selling tender schedule | Opening date of tender |
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| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) |
| a. | Tender No- 2025-2026/18 Dt: 12/11/2025 | BA No-088130 Trk Utility Cargo 2.5-5 ton Renault D13 HIGH P4X4.240E3 Necessary Spare parts/ Equipment (as per schedule) | According to PPR 2008 rule 61 (4) the schedule will be sold up to 14 days from the date of publication of the newspaper. | Tenders will be opened on the 15 th day of the schedule sale. |

2. The terms & conditions with technical specification spare available in Technical Store office of 161 Field Workshop Company, Sylhet Cantonment during office time. 2% earnest money of the total tendered amount have to be deposited in the form of Bank draft/Pay order along with the tender in favour of Acting Officer Commanding, 161 Field Workshop Company, Sylhet Cantonment. Interested firm has to purchase tender schedule from Technical Store Office of 161 Field Workshop Company upto 1400 hours in every working day till last date of selling as mentioned in Columns 4. On the opening date (mentioned in column 5) at 1230 hours tender box will be opened in presence of intending bidders or their representatives (if any).

3. Participating firms must have past experience in doing the similar nature of work and experience certificate to be attached in tender

4. If any vehicle/equipment shows any malfunction in the current financial year, the supplying firm will be bound to repair it again without demanding any financial support.

5. The package price offered by the firm participating in the tender will be the considered as lowest bidder.

6. Authority reserves all the rights to accept or reject any tender without assigning any reason there of.

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