

Trump had no good option Iran expert says about two-week ceasefire

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US President Donald Trump has agreed to suspend his planned bombing of Iran for two weeks, following his threat that "a whole civilization will die tonight" if Tehran did not comply with his demands.

On Tuesday evening, within hours of the planned attack, Trump took to his platform Truth Social to announce he had reversed course.

Shortly after Trump's message, Iran's Minister of Foreign Affairs Abbas Araghchi confirmed that a tentative agreement had been reached.

Experts say the two-week postponement raises critical questions, including whether Israel would abide by the ceasefire Trump has agreed to. There are also lingering concerns about whether Israel would end its strikes against Hezbollah in Lebanon, as well as Iran's other regional allies, despite breaking similar agreements in the past.



Rescuers work at the site of an Israeli strike in Beirut yesterday. Israel carried out its heaviest strikes on Lebanon since the conflict with Hezbollah began last month, killing dozens and wounding hundreds, according to Lebanon's health ministry. PHOTO: REUTERS

TRUMP'S IRAN CEASEFIRE US political leaders react with caution, relief

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Politicians in the United States have largely welcomed the truce with Iran, with some of President Donald Trump's Republican allies voicing scepticism about a possible deal, as Democrats renewed calls for accountability over an "illegal war".

"I'm glad Trump backed off and is desperately searching for any sort of exit ramp from his ridiculous bluster," Chuck Schumer, the Senate Democratic leader, said on Tuesday night.

Earlier, Schumer called Trump an "extremely sick person" who was waging a "wanton war of choice".

Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, a progressive Congresswoman from New York, said the two-week agreement "changes nothing". "The President has threatened a genocide against the Iranian people, and is continuing to leverage that threat,"

she said on social media, calling again for his removal from office.

Hakeem Jeffries, the House minority leader, called Trump's behavior "unhinged, unprincipled and unconscionable" in a Tuesday evening interview on CNN.

"The American people strongly oppose this reckless war of choice," he said. "He's plunged America into this war without any plan, any objective and any exit strategy."

Democrats will demand that Speaker Mike Johnson immediately reconvene the House to move a war powers resolution to bring a permanent end to this conflict, Jeffries said.

While Congressional Republicans had been publicly muted in response to Trump's earlier threats, many cheered the president's acceptance a short-term ceasefire, casting the move as shrewd and tactical, reports The

Guardian online.

"Excellent news," Senator Rick Scott of Florida said. Senator Lindsey Graham, one of the chamber's loudest and most aggressive Iran hawks, said on Tuesday evening he shared the hope that "we can end the reign of terror of the Iranian regime through diplomacy".

But he added: "We must remember that the strait of Hormuz was attacked by Iran after the start of the war, destroying freedom of navigation. Going forward, it is imperative Iran is not rewarded for this hostile act against the world."

Analysts suggest that while the ceasefire may temporarily ease tensions, the shadow of Trump's threats — including his warnings about the potential obliteration of a civilisation — could have long-lasting diplomatic repercussions.

WEST BENGAL SIR

Mamata's TMC to move court again to resist voter deletions

THE HINDU ONLINE

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee yesterday hit out at the BJP and the Election Commission over voter deletions during the SIR exercise and said her party will move a court again to resist the removal of electors from the rolls.

Her comments came after nearly 91 lakh voters' names were deleted from the electoral rolls following the completion of the Special Intensive Revision (SIR) in the state.

"You will not be able to defeat the TMC by deleting names. We will move a court again to resist the exclusion of names," Banerjee said while attacking her principal challenger BJP over the roll revision exercise.

Banerjee had in February argued in the Supreme Court as she sought an intervention in the SIR process. Yesterday, she filed her nomination from her native Assembly constituency of Bhabanipur in South Kolkata. The EC figures, which pushed the total deletion to over 90.83 lakh names from the original voter base of 7.66 crore in October 2025, showed that the proportion of removal of electors now remains at over 11.85 percent.

Four killed as violence flares in India's Manipur Internet partially shutdown

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At least four people were killed, two of them by police fire, in India's northeastern state of Manipur on Tuesday, officials said, after months of relative calm.



Two children from the mostly Hindu Meitei community were killed after a bomb exploded in a house in the Meitei-dominated Bishnupur district, the officials and the chief minister's office said.

Later on Tuesday, police opened fire to control a crowd that had stormed a camp belonging to security forces, killing two people, the state's interior minister, Govindas Konthoujam said.

A partial internet shutdown was in place. The children killed in the latest unrest belonged to the Meitei community, whose members alleged the attack was carried out by Kuki militants. Kuki groups denied the accusations.

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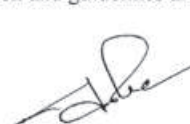
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2	221342, 1254902, MBSTU/11026/G-6	Laptop and Desktop, Printer, High performing computer for NGS analysis	NTC, OTM	Date: 09/04/2026 Time: 10:00 am	Date: 26/04/2026 Time: 01:00 pm

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