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Gunman killed, 3 injured in shooting near Israeli embassy

Amman: A gunman was killed, and three security personnel were injured in a shooting on Sunday morning near the Israeli embassy in Jordan...

Legal threats close in on Israel's Netanyahu

Could impact ongoing wars

Agencies, Jerusalem

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu faces legal perils at home and abroad that point to a turbulent future for the Israeli leader...



his political career if he is found guilty. He has denied any wrongdoing. While the domestic bribery trial

has polarised public opinion, the prime minister has received widespread support from across the political spectrum following the ICC move...

Netanyahu has denounced the court's decision as antisemitic and denied charges that he and Gallant targeted Gaza civilians...

"Israelis get really annoyed if they think the world is against them and rally around their leader, even if he has faced a lot of criticism..."

Kishida launches new group within ruling LDP



Agencies, Tokyo

Japan's former Prime Minister Fumio Kishida has launched a new group within the ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP)...

The Kishida-led group, which reportedly aims at promoting asset management in the country, held its inaugural meeting at the Diet building on Friday...

ing on Friday. It was attended by around 20 LDP lawmakers, including former LDP Secretary-General Toshimitsu Motegi...

Kishida, in his speech at the meeting, spotlighted his achievements during three years as prime minister and party president.

"We have begun to see encouraging signs of a new economic phase, including the highest wage increases in 33 years..."

Shigeru Ishiba, the leader of Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party (LDP), was elected as the country's Prime Minister in a parliamentary vote...

At least 20 killed, 66 injured in Israeli airstrike in Beirut

Beirut (UNI)

At least 20 people were killed and 66 others injured on Saturday in an Israeli airstrike on a residential building in the Lebanese capital Beirut...



injured in Israeli airstrikes in the village of Ain Baal in Tyre district, southern Lebanon, according to the Public Health Emergency Operations Center...

Israeli forces arrest 5 Jewish settlers in West Bank

Jerusalem (UNI): The Israeli military and police arrested five Israeli settlers on Saturday for rioting near the Jewish settlement of Itamar in the West Bank...

The arrests were made after dozens of Israeli settlers, some of whom were masked, instigated a violent riot, "hurling stones towards the IDF and Israel Border Police forces..."

Israel's state-owned Kan TV News reported that during the incident, a soldier was punched by one of the rioters.

On Friday, five other Israeli settlers were arrested after they tried to attack Commander of the IDF's Central Command Avi Bluth and accompanying soldiers in the city of Hebron, southern West Bank.

Jewish extremist settlers occasionally clash with Israeli security forces in the West Bank to protest actions or policies they see as favoring Palestinians, such as the evacuation of illegal Jewish outposts...

Israeli Defence Minister Israel Katz on Saturday condemned the attempted attack, stating that "harming IDF commanders and soldiers, who dedicate their lives to the security of Israel and its citizens, is an attack on the entire country..."



2 killed in Colorado patrol plane crash

Los Angeles: Two people were killed and another was severely injured on Saturday in a plane crash in Colorado, the United States, local authority confirmed. Larimer County Sheriff's Office spokesperson Ali Adams said at a briefing that the Civil Air Patrol aircraft with three people onboard crashed at 11:12 am local time (1912 GMT) in the vicinity of Storm Mountain...

UAE: RTA completes installation of 141 bus shelters, aiming for 762 by 2025

Dubai: Dubai's Roads and Transport Authority (RTA) has completed 141 bus shelters as part of its ambitious plan to deliver 762 shelters across key locations in Dubai. Designed with modern aesthetics and user-friendly features, these shelters enhance comfort and convenience for public transport users...



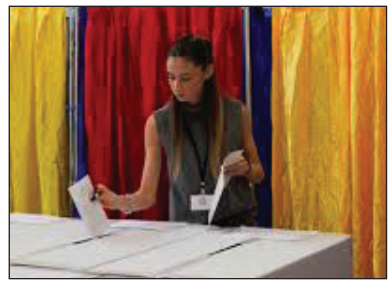
Indian envoy to Italy welcomes EAM Jaishankar in Rome

Rome: External Affairs Minister (EAM) S Jaishankar was welcomed in Rome by India's Ambassador to Italy, Vani Rao, and other officials from the Foreign Ministry. Jaishankar is on an official visit to Italy from November 24 to 26...

Israel issues Emirati travel warning after rabbi's murder

Jerusalem: Israel warned its nationals to avoid non-essential travel to the United Arab Emirates after the body of a missing Israeli-Moldovan rabbi was discovered on Sunday. Israel's National Security Council (NSC) had already designated the UAE's threat level to Israeli citizens as "moderate..."

Romanians vote in first round of presidential election



Bucharest (UNI)

Romanians headed to the polls Sunday for the first round of the presidential election, choosing from 14 candidates to lead the country for the next five years...

Romania, over 18 million registered voters are expected to cast their ballots at nearly 19,000 polling stations from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. local time (0500 to 1900 GMT).

Overseas voting began Friday, with a record number of 950 polling stations abroad, according to the electoral authority. Under the Romanian Constitution, if no candidate secures a majority, a runoff will be held between the top two contenders in two weeks...

Bucharest residents are also voting in a referendum on local governance and public health initiatives, including funding for drug prevention programs in schools.

Ukraine needs better air defences, Zelenskiy says after Russian drone attack

Agencies, Kyiv

President Volodymyr Zelenskiy said on Sunday Ukraine needs to strengthen its air defenses to protect people after its air defense units shot down 50 of 73 Russian drones launched overnight over many regions...

Over the past week Russia used more than 800 guided aerial bombs, about 460 attack drones, and more than 20 missiles of various types, Zelenskiy said.

"Ukraine is not a testing ground for weapons. Ukraine is a sovereign and independent state. But Russia



still continues its efforts to kill our people, spread fear and panic, and weaken us," he said. The Ukrainian

military said earlier on Sunday that air defense units had destroyed more than 10 Russian drones that were targeting Kyiv in an overnight attack.

There were no immediate reports of damage or injuries as a result of the attack, Kyiv's military administration posted on Telegram.

Reuters witnesses heard explosions in Kyiv in what sounded like air defense units in operation.

"The UAVs (unmanned aerial vehicles) were flying in different directions toward Kyiv," said Serhiy Popko, head of Kyiv's military administration. "The air raid alert in the city lasted for more than three hours."

There was no immediate comment from Russia about the attack.

Israeli citizen goes missing in UAE

Tel Aviv: An emissary of the Jewish religious movement Chabad has disappeared in the United Arab Emirates, the Israeli government said on Saturday, adding that the version of a terrorist attack is being investigated.

"Zvi Kogan, an Israeli-Moldovan citizen, the Chabad representative in the UAE, has been missing since Thursday, November 21, 2024. The Mossad has updated that since his disappearance, and given information indicating that this is a terrorist incident, an active investigation has been going on in the country..."

The Israeli authorities previously issued a travel warning for the UAE, recommending that people avoid unnecessary travel to the country due to a medium-level threat, the NSC said.

Islamabad locked down ahead of protests seeking ex-PM Imran Khan's release

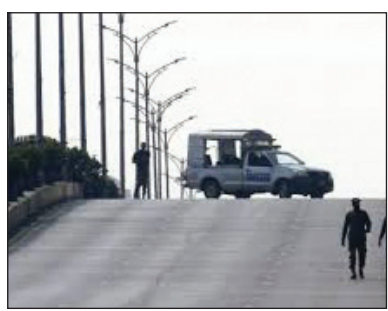
Agencies, Islamabad

Pakistan's capital was put under a security lockdown on Sunday ahead of protests by supporters of jailed former Prime Minister Imran Khan calling for his release.

Highways leading to Islamabad through which supporters of Khan, led by members of his Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf party, are expected to approach the city and gather near the parliament, have been blocked.

Most major roads of the city have also been blocked by the government with shipping containers and large contingents of police and paramilitary personnel have been deployed in riot gear, while mobile phone services have been suspended.

Gatherings of any sort have been



banned under legal provisions, the Islamabad police said in a statement.

Global internet watchdog NetBlocks said on X, formerly known as Twitter, that live metrics showed WhatsApp messaging services had been restricted ahead of the protests.

A key Khan aid, Ali Amin Gandapur, who is the chief minister of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province and is expected to lead the largest convoy into Islamabad, called on people to gather near the entrance of the city's red zone, known as "D Chowk"...

7 killed in northern Peru bus crash

Lima: At least seven people were killed and over 30 others injured early Saturday morning in a bus crash in northern Peru's San Martin region, said the country's Interior Ministry.

The crash happened on the Fernando Belaunde Terry Highway in Moyobamba province, the ministry said on X, noting that the police are conducting search and rescue operations at the scene.

The bus collided with a van at a dangerous curve known as "El Triunfo," causing the driver to lose control and the vehicle to veer off the road, local media reported.

The injured have been taken to hospitals for treatment, according to the Ministry of Health.

The bus left the Piura region on Friday afternoon carrying 58 passengers, including around 23 students from San Jacinto de Vice school who were on a school trip to Tarapoto.

COP29 agrees to triple public finance to developing countries to fight climate disaster

Baku (UNI)

The 29th UN Climate Change Conference (COP29) agrees to triple public finance to developing countries to fight climate disaster.

The 29th UN Climate Change Conference (COP29) closed in Azerbaijan's capital on Sunday with a new finance goal to help countries against climate disasters.

COP29 was scheduled to conclude on Friday, settling the demand of developing countries to have a New Collective Quantified on Climate Finance (NCQG) to the tune of 1.3 trillion USD, including 600 billion USD grants of public finance from the developed countries, but finally it was not.

The COP29 Presidency extended the negotiation for two days, and on



Sunday morning, nearly 200 countries in Baku reached an agreement to triple public finance to developing countries, from the previous goal of USD 100 billion annually to USD 300 billion annually by 2035.

Simon Stiell, UN Climate Change Executive Secretary in the Closing Plenary of COP29, said that the

countries would secure efforts of all actors to work together to scale up finance to developing countries, from public and private sources, to the amount of USD 1.3 trillion per year by 2035.

"This new finance goal is an insurance policy for humanity, amid worsening climate impacts hitting every country. But like any insurance policy, it only works if premiums are paid in full and on time. Promises must be kept to protect billions of lives," Stiell stated.

It will keep the clean energy boom growing, helping all countries to share in its huge benefits: more jobs, stronger growth, cheaper and cleaner energy for all. The International Energy Agency expects global clean energy investment is set to exceed USD 2 trillion for the first time in 2024.

Iran condemns US illegal interventions in Venezuela internal affairs

Tehran (UNI)

Iran's Foreign Ministry spokesman Esmaeil Baghaei on Saturday condemned U.S. "illegal interventions" in Venezuela's internal affairs.

He made the remarks in a post on social media platform X while reacting to a post earlier this week by U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken, who said his government recognized Venezuelan opposition candidate Edmundo Gonzalez Urrutia as the South American country's "president-elect."

"We condemn illegal interventions by the United States and some of its allies in Venezuela's internal affairs, which is reminiscent of (the) malign and divisive interventions of 2019 via recognition of a parallel government (in the country), and express our solidarity with Venezuela's



legitimate and elected president Nicolas Maduro," said Baghaei.

Baghaei said Iran considered any foreign intervention in Venezuela's internal affairs as contrary to international law and the principles of the United Nations Charter and a blow to peace and stability in the South American country.