



An aerial photo shows the water released from a tunnel entering Lake Urmia on March 2, 2023, a week after the water transfer project inaugurated.

● HAMID AKBARI/FARS



A motorcyclist jumps across a path on March 3, 2023, as the Motocross Provincial Championship is held at Isfahan's Mobarakeh motorcycle track.

● MORTEZA SALEHI/TASNIM



NASA's SpaceX Crew-6 mission, which includes NASA astronauts Stephen Bowen and Woody Hoburg, the United Arab Emirates Sultan al-Neyadi and Russian cosmonaut Andrey Fedyayev, launches to the International Space Station from the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Florida, US, on March 2, 2023.

● JOE SKIPPER/REUTERS



A Palestinian fireman extinguishes a fire at a landfill in Juhr al-Deek, southeast of Gaza City, on March 3, 2023. Officials are calling for help to extinguish the fire that started on Thursday, saying it could last for days and cause "an environmental catastrophe".

● IBRAHEEM ABU MUSTAFA/REUTERS



The third joint air rescue exercise in Tehran to deal with earthquake crisis begins on March 2, 2023, attended by Tehran Mayor Alireza Zakani.

● MASOUD SHAHRESTANI/TASNIM



An aerial view shows Iraqi farmers walking on dry ground during low water levels in Amara, Iraq.

● ESSAM AL-SUDANI/REUTERS



Workers move a dead whale that washed ashore in Seaside Park NJ, U.S., on March 2, 2023. Some people blame offshore wind preparation for a spate of whale deaths on the U.S. East Coast this winter, but federal science agencies say there is no evidence.

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