

# Leader: Palestine first issue of Muslim world

## Ayatollah Khamenei urges high turnout in presidential election

Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei said Palestine is the first and foremost issue of the Muslim world. The Leader made the remarks in an address to a crowd of people gathering at the mausoleum of the founder of the Islamic Republic Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini in southern Tehran on Monday to mark the 35th anniversary of his passing, Press TV reported. Ayatollah Khamenei said Operation Al-Aqsa Storm against Israel was carried out at the right time and put the Israeli regime on a path that will lead to its destruction and elimination. During Operation Al-Aqsa Storm, the Palestinians pushed the enemy to a corner where it had no way to escape, he noted. The Palestinian resistance movement Hamas launched Operation Al-Aqsa Storm on October 7, 2023, penetrating deep into the territories occupied by the Israeli regime, by carrying out large-scale air, land, and sea strikes. The group said the operation was a reaction to the recurring desecration of Al-Aqsa Mosque in occu-

pled Al-Quds as well as intensified Israeli atrocities against Palestinians in the occupied West Bank. Ayatollah Khamenei further stated that Imam Khomeini emphasized that the people of Palestine themselves would have to restore their own rights and force the Israeli regime to retreat. He noted that everything that the late leader predicted regarding the issue of Palestine has come true. He said Imam Khomeini believed that the people of Palestine should not trust the so-called peace talks, play an active role and restore their rights to achieve a final victory in the face of the Israeli enemy. Ayatollah Khamenei also urged all nations, particularly Muslims, to support the Palestinian people to help them defeat the Zionist regime. "These big developments are being realized now," he emphasized. "Although the US and many Western countries continue to support this regime, they also know that there is no way out for the occupying regime."



Leader of Iran's Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei speaks during a ceremony marking 35th anniversary of passing away of the late founder of the Islamic Republic Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini in Tehran on June 3, 2024. [leader.ir](#)

The Leader warned that the US, elements of the global Zionism and some regional states have hatched a comprehensive plan to change relations and equations in the region. Ayatollah Khamenei also pointed to the death of former Iranian president

Ebrahim Raisi, foreign minister Hossein Amir-Abdollahian and six others in a helicopter crash last month and said they are "martyrs of service" as they lost their lives while serving the people. He described "dear" president Raisi as a hard-working and honest man who

made his utmost efforts to serve the Iranian nation. Despite the president's death, Iranian authorities managed to maintain the country's full tranquility and security, the Leader added. Ayatollah Khamenei also pointed to the June 28 presidential election in

Iran, organized after President Raisi's death, and said an "epic of election" will complete the huge funeral held for the martyrs. The Leader called for high turnout in the upcoming "important" presidential election, saying that it would be great achievement for the nation.

## Tehran vows response if IAEA approves anti-Iran resolution



### International Desk

Iran threatened to respond Tuesday if the UN nuclear watchdog approves a new censure resolution proposed by three European governments. "In case of issuing a resolution against Iran in the board of governors and political pressure from the parties, Iran will respond according to the announcement it made to them," Iran's atomic energy chief Mohammad Eslami said. Britain, France and Germany submitted a draft resolution to the International Atomic Energy Agency's board on Monday, accusing Iran of lack of cooperation with the watchdog. He said Tehran's civilian nuclear activities are within the framework of the strategic action law adopted by the Iranian Parliament in late 2020 to counter sanctions and promote the country's nuclear program. "Under the Strategic Action Plan to Counter Sanctions, we are obliged not to honor our commitments in case the other party fails to do so. If they fulfill their obligations, the Islamic Republic will meet the JCPOA (the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action) obligations which require certain curbs," Mohammad Eslami said. Eslami said based on the 2015 nuclear deal with major powers "if the other parties do not return to their commitments, Iran has the right to reciprocally reduce its obligations, and now the country is in the phase of reducing them."

## Iran dismisses US-proposed Gaza cease-fire deal



### International Desk

Iran's acting foreign minister dismissed a Gaza cease-fire deal proposed by US President Joe Biden and warned Israel against launching an all-out war on Lebanon during a visit to Beirut Monday, his first official diplomatic visit since his predecessor died last month. Ali Baqeri Kani replaced Hossein Amir-Abdollahi-

an who died in a helicopter crash on May 19 in a mountainous area near Iran's border with Azerbaijan, along with Iranian president Ebrahim Raisi and a delegation of other officials. "If the Americans are honest, then instead of proposing plans under the name of cease-fire, they must take one step, which is end all aid to the Israeli entity," Baqeri Kani said in a news

conference at the Iranian Embassy in Beirut. "Only once the aid is cut from the Israeli entity, the entity won't have the tools and ability to commit crimes against the Palestinians and the war will end." Baqeri Kani met with Lebanese counterpart Abdallah Bouhabib as well as Lebanese Speaker of Parliament Nabih Berri and caretaker Prime Minister Najib Mikati. Bouhabib said Lebanon wants to avoid a wider war and is looking for "sustainable solutions that restore calm and stability to southern Lebanon." The Iranian foreign minister said Israel would find itself in a quagmire

should it launch an all-out war in Lebanon against Hezbollah, a country he described as the "cradle of resistance." "The entity which is trapped in the swamp in Gaza, if it had the basic rationality, shouldn't put itself in a similar situation with the strong Lebanese resistance," Baqeri Kani said. He Iranian diplomat also met the secretary general of Lebanon's Hezbollah re-

sistance movement. During the meeting, Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah expressed his gratitude to Iran for its "steadfast" support for peoples and resistance movements in the region. On Tuesday, Baqeri Kani visited neighboring Syria where he held talks with President Bashar al-Assad and Syrian Foreign Minister Faisal Mekdad. Baqeri Kani and Bashar

al-Assad discussed a wide range of issues including the crisis in the besieged Gaza Strip as well as the need to end the crimes of Israel against the Palestinian people. Earlier in the day, the top Iranian diplomat said Israel is the root cause of instability in the region. He made the remarks at a joint press conference with his Syrian counterpart Faisal Mekdad.

## UN criticizes Israel over deaths of 500 Palestinians in West Bank

The UN rights chief demanded Tuesday an end to surging violence in the occupied West Bank, saying it was "unfathomable" that more than 500 Palestinians had been killed there since October 7. Volker Turk said at least 505 Palestinians had been killed in the West Bank by the Israeli military and by West Bank settlers since the war in nearby Gaza erupted nearly eight months ago. Palestinian officials have giv-

en a toll of at least 523. Two dozen Israelis, including eight soldiers, have also been killed in West Bank clashes or alleged attacks by Palestinians from the West Bank during the same period, he said. "As if the tragic events in Israel and then Gaza over the past eight months were not enough, the people of the occupied West Bank are also being subjected to day-after-day of unprecedented bloodshed," he said in a statement.

"It is unfathomable that so many lives have been taken in such a wanton fashion." Turk insisted "the killing, destruction and widespread human rights violations are unacceptable, and must cease immediately." "Israel must not only adopt but enforce rules of engagement that are fully in line with applicable human rights norms and standards," he said, demanding accountability for all alleged unlawful killings.

Second Announcement

## Appendix Number 1

Announcement of the public invitation proposal  
number 1102115 for  
investors Pre-qualification assessment.

**National Iranian Copper Industry Co. (NICICO)** intends to "purchase the electrical energy required by the Sarcheshmeh copper complex in the amount of approximately 600 GWH/year in Kerman province through the construction of a large-scale solar power plant with a capacity of 320 MW by investor in the form of a 21-year long-term guaranteed purchase contract (three periods of 7 years) based on the B.O.O. method" through public invitation as pre-qualification of investors.

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