# Leader: Candidates should avoid making remarks that please enemies





Leader of Iran's Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei peaks during a meeting with Iran's udicial officials in Tehran, Iran on

Leader of Iran's Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Khamenei cautioned presidential candidates against making statements that could delight Iran's enemies. His remarks came after Iran held the third televised presidential debate on Friday night, during which six candidates vying for presidency outlined their plans on cultural and socio-economic issues.

"My advice is that these discussions that the candidates have together on TV or the statements they make either in public or individually in order to overcome the rival should not contain anything that makes our enemies happy,"

the Leader said during a meeting country's judicial officials on Saturday.

"The words that are uttered should not gratify the enemy of the country, the nation and the system. This is not permissible," he said.

"The assumption is that all the candidates love Iran and the Islamic Republic, since they want to become president in this system and to serve the people. Therefore, they should not speak in such a way that pleases the

Ayatollah Khamenei said the debates give people familiarity with the opinions of the candidates.

In their third debate, the candidates presented their blueprints on the country's cultural and social issues. It followed the first held on Monday and the second staged on Thursday, which centered on economic and socio-economic issues respectively.

## Israeli forces strap **Palestinian** to vehicle to use as human shield



In the West Bank city of Jenin, videos have shown an Israeli armored vehicle driving past ambulances with an injured Palestinian man strapped to the hood, in what appears to be a case of using him as a human shield.

"That shocking image of the Jeep ... is something that is repeated in several ways in the West Bank and it is what human rights organizations call the use of human shields. It's been done on several occasions," Nour Odeh, a Palestinian political analyst and activist, said.

# Iran's 3rd presidential debate focused on cultural, social issues

Iran's presidential candidates competing to succeed late president Ebrahim Raisi outlined their plans on cultural and social issues during the third televised debate on Friday

Campaigning for the presidential election, scheduled for June 28, is in full swing, with six candidates in the fray – Mohammad Baqer Qalibaf, Masoud Pezeshkian, Amir-Hossein Ghazizadeh Hashemi, Alireza Zakani, Mostafa Pourmohammadi, and Saeed Jalili - pulling out all the stops to win voters' favor.

The conservative candidate, Ghazizadeh Hashemi, said he will strengthen the support fund for artists, tourism activists and media professionals. He also said he will deal with filtering (in the virtual space) according to socie-

Jalili said if our president or cultural managers

alongside marketing for high-tech technologies also present a cultural product, it can create a world of opportunities. Cultural productions can conquer the world.

The Reformist candidate Pezeshkian pointed to the women's rights, saying that women should be in a position where they can play a constructive role.

There is no difference between men and women in ideological terms. Our women can also occupy the same positions as our

He also said that the government should refrain from interference (in art and culture) and should be the policymaker and overseer of programs.

Pourmohammadi also pointed to the role that women can play in the country, saying that, "We of our country and utilize their capabilities for the development of the country". The conservative candidate, Zakani, said "in the cultural, social, and economic domains, we practically see people's participation. The government

serves as a supporter. "We must consider culture as the axis of other systems and accept education and training as a driving

The most prominent candidate who is the current Speaker of Parliament, Qalibaf, said, "We must strive to keep culture away from political decisions and politicization so that it does not suffer damage."

Culture has depth; it has owners, individuals, and pioneers. In the cultural sphere, people produce culture and consume it themselves, he said.

When we talk about culture, we must focus on its infrastructure artists cultural practitioners, their livelihoods, and content.

#### INVITATION TO TWO STAGE PUBLIC BID - SECOND NOTICE

Phase one of Parsian Combined Cycle Power Plant (500±10% MW) on EPCF Basis

### Iranian Mines and Mining Industries Development and Renovation Organization (IMIDRO)

Parsian Jonoub Energy Intensive Industries Development Company (PEIIDC)

INVITATION NO: 2003090246000001

Iranian Mines and Mining Industries Development and Renovation Organization (IMIDRO) with representation of Parsian Jonoub Energy Intensive Industries Development Company (PEIIDC), intends to international two stage public bid for Parsian Combined Cycle Power Plant Project. To do this first a short list of eligible experienced companies will be prepared and on next stage they will be invited to technical evaluation. This second notice of invitation for renewal of first stage of Bid is based on the sub-clause 10-B of "Clause C, Article 12, tenders formalities law" dated 16/07/1385 Iranian calendar date.

Herewith, we are inviting eligible candidates (Applicants) to refer Bid No 2003090246000001 on Iran Public eProcurement System (SETAD) available on www.setadiran.ir, should they to be i) a company duly organised, registered, existing and having grade one certificate of EPC for power generation sector from Iran Plan and Budget Organisation for local Applicants or similar certificate from pertinent authorities in their countries, which to be verified by the respective consulate of the Islamic Republic of Iran, for overseas Applicants; or ii) to be a Consortium comprising of two or more companies (members), whose members are organised, registered, existing and collectively having grade one or two certificate of design/engineering for power generation sector and grade one certificate of construction for power generation sector with aforesaid procedure for such certificates as well as valid HSE certificate from Ministry of Cooperatives, Labour, and

After preparation of the pertinent short list of qualified Applicant, we invite them for second stage of the Bid. As specified before, participating in the Bid as

Consortium is allowed.

1)Company/Client: Parsian Jonoub Energy Intensive Industries Development Company (PEIIDC) on behalf of Iranian Mines and Mining Development and Renovation Organization (IMIDRO) with the following address: Bids Department,

Parsian Jonoub Energy Intensive Industries Development Company (PEIIDC),

No. 1713, 1st floor of National Iranian Steel Company building, Vali-e-Asr Avenue (Above Valiasr Sq.),

Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran Postal Code: 1594643118, Tel: +98-21-88906133 Email: parsian\_ccpp\_tender@psez.ir

2) Invitation subject: Selecting the EPCF contractor for Parsian Combined Cycle Power Plant (500±10% MW) project on EPCF Basis (phase one)

3) Project's estimated price: Two hundred eighty-five million (285,000,000) Euros.

4) Bid Bond: The Bid Bond shall be in the form of a bank guarantee in the amount of 2.055.000 € (two million fifty-five thousand euros) issued by an Iranian bank acceptable to the Company According to related circular (governmental transactions guarantees regulation) dated 24/08/1394 as per Iranian calendar (15/11/2015) No. H50659 T/123402. The Bid Bond shall be extendable and shall be valid for six (6) months after the Bid Closing Date. The bank guarantee shall have SEPAM number without any conditional statement.

5) Source of Fund: IMIDRO's internal resources 6)Prequalification Documents obtaining: The

Prequalification Questionnaire will be available on the portal of government's electronic procurement system (www.setadiran.ir) from 2024 June23, Sunday, 08:00 AM until 2024 June29, Saturday, 04:00 PM.

7)Pregualification Documents submission: The Prequalification Documents shall be uploaded on the portal of government's electronic procurement system, available on www.setadiran.ir website before 2024 July20, Saturday, 04:00 PM.

8) Bid Opening Date and Place: on the 2024 July21,Sunday at a/m address.

9) Bid Validity Period: Bids shall remain valid for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days after the date of Bid opening.

10) Invitation notice date: The invitation will be noticed on 2024 June23, Sunday trough the portal of government's electronic procurement system (www.setadiran.ir).

All Bidding stages from beginning, i.e. noticing of this invitation, sending/ delivering of Bidding Documents up to opening of the Bids will be conducted via Iran Public eProcurement System (SETAD) available on www.setadiran.ir.

Therefore, Applicants shall be registered in the mentioned system and receive the electronic signature certificate in order to participate in the Bid if they have not been a member before.

## **Iran:** Israel will be 'ultimate loser' in war with Hezbollah

**International Desk** 

Iran warned Israel that it would be the "ultimate loser" in an all-out war with the Lebanon's Hezbollah resistance movement as fears of a major Israeli offensive in Lebanon continued to mount. The mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations in a statement said Hezbollah is capable of defending itself and Lebanon.

"Undoubtedly, this war will have one ultimate loser, which is the Zion-

ist regime. The Lebanese resistance movement, Hezbollah, has the capability to defend itself and Lebanon – perhaps the time for the self-annihilation of this illegitimate regime has come," the mission said on its X account

"Any imprudent decision by the occupying Israeli regime to save itself could plunge the region into a new war, the consequence of which would be the destruction of Lebanon's infrastructure as well as that of the 1948 occupied territories." Hezbollah and the Israeli occupation army have been exchanging fire on a daily basis since the beginning of the regime's onslaught on the Gaza Strip, which has claimed the lives of more than 37.500 Palestinians mostly women and chil-

Tensions between the two sides have been intensified in recent weeks especially after the killing of a senior Hezbollah commander by Israel last