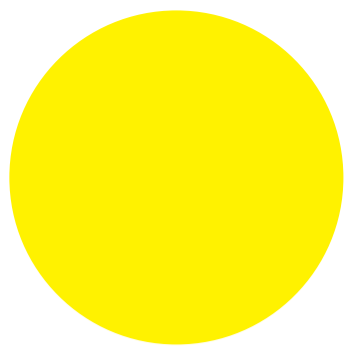




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No time for political revanchism



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Having scored a scintillating home run in the presidential election on July 5, veteran heart surgeon-cum-parliamentarian Masoud Pezeshkian was catapulted from relative obscurity to presidency, officially treading on an uncharted territory cluttered with factional rivalries and political acts of obstructionism.

In the run-up to the vote and during the televised debates and nationwide campaigns, which were dimly imbued with sloganeering, the self-acknowledged Conservative but Reformist-leaning Pezeshkian was vehemently bashed over unsubstantiated claims of having affiliation to former chief executives, Moderate Hassan Rouhani and Ultra-Reformist Mohammad Khatami.

The 69-year-old bore the brunt of running a third administration of the two ex-presidents while on numerous occasions categorically dismissed the accusations.

Piggybacking on Pezeshkian's reticence and calm disposition, his rivals labelled his supporting associates in his campaigns as "self-deprecating" and claimed that their prescribed domestic and foreign policies would be a repeat of what the Iranian public went through during more than 16 years of Rouhani's and Khatami's tenure, in which economic indicators — beset by Western sanctions — were much to be frowned upon.

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People walk past rubble and damaged buildings in the Tuffah district, east of Gaza City, on July 8, 2024. © OMAR-AL-QATTAA/AFP



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Iran's maritime transit up 49% since March

The sea trade and transit of Iran have recorded 10 and 49 percent growth, respectively, since the beginning of the current Iranian calendar year (started on March 19, 2024), compared to the same period in the last year, according to Iran's Ports and Maritime Organization (PMO). Ali Akbar Safaei, deputy minister of Roads and Urban Development and the managing director of the PMO, stated that the country's sea trade reached 237 million tons in the aforementioned period compared to 215 million tons in 2022.

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