

Navy Chief: Two Warships to Deploy to Indian Ocean
TEHRAN -- Iran's Navy chief Rear Admiral Shahram Irani said Friday two new Iranian warships are set to sail soon in international waters.
"The Sahand destroyer is being prepared quickly to be deployed on a mission to secure the waters of the northern Indian Ocean after participating in major drills," Irani said. "The Zagros destroyer is the newest and most advanced destroyer in the Navy, designed for both combat and intelligence missions."
The warship is equipped with a hangar for permanently carrying a helicopter, the commander said. "We are awaiting official orders to launch it."

IRGC Begins Ground Drills in Sistan-Baluchestan
TEHRAN -- The ground forces of Iran's Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) have begun conducting major counterterrorism exercises in the country's southeastern province of Sistan-Baluchestan.
The forces' commander Brigadier General Muhammad Pakpour said on Friday that the drills were underway involving the servicemen enlisted with the IRGC's Quds Headquarters. The is being conducted in a real operational environment and will continue in several phases until specific operational objectives are achieved, he said, adding no date has been set yet to the exercise.
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Iranian Reciters Finish Second in Qur'an Contest in Turkey

Free Style Wrestlers Scoop More Medals at World Championships

Yemenis Rally in Support of Palestine, Lebanon

Zionist Regime Intensifies Genocide in Gaza

GAZA (Dispatches) -- At least 95 Palestinians have been martyred in Israeli airstrikes across the Gaza Strip, mainly in the north of the enclave where a hospital was attacked, medical supplies were torched and operations were disrupted, health officials said Friday.

A vast majority of the victims in Thursday's attacks were civilians in northern Gaza, medical sources said.

The Israeli military's shelling of central Gaza's Deir el-Balah, the Nuseirat refugee camp and the Zawayda areas also left dozens wounded from attacks on Thursday night that continued into Friday, according to the Palestinian news agency Wafa.

Most of those killed were women and children, Wafa reported, as medical sources confirmed that 47 bodies were taken to the Al-Aqsa Martyrs Hospital in Deir el-Balah.

Most of the victims were killed in the bombing of several houses in the Nuseirat area.

ries to some hospital staff members, and hit a storage space containing lifesaving WHO supplies brought in via complex missions, as well as the desalination station and water tanks on top of the hospital".

The UN's Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) said the hospital's third floor was hit, resulting in the loss of supplies "delivered just five days ago".

Medical charity Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) said on Thursday that one of its doctors at the hospital, Muhammad Obeid, had been detained last Saturday by Israeli forces. It called for the protection of him and all medical staff who "are facing horrific violence as they try to provide care".

Israel's subsequent assault on Gaza has martyred more than 43,200 Palestinians and reduced most of the enclave to rubble, Palestinian authorities say.

The same houses were hit a second time as people rushed to rescue those who survived the first strike, leading to more casualties, Wafa said. The search for people missing under the rubble was continuing.

Meanwhile, a new United Nations report said Israel has "perpetrated a concerted policy to destroy Gaza's healthcare system" that has included "deliberate attacks on medical personnel and facilities", both of which are war crimes.

The World Health Organization (WHO) condemned an attack on the Kamal Adwan Hospital in northern Gaza, which caused injuries and damaged recently delivered lifesaving supplies.

WHO chief Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus said the attack "caused inju-



Lebanon Under Attack: Deadliest Hezbollah Strikes Jolt Zionists

Civil defense teams remove debris following Israeli airstrikes on Hades and Tahwitat al-Ghadir areas in southern Beirut, Nov. 1, 2024.

BEIRUT (Dispatches) -- Nine Zionists were injured in a rocket attack launched from Lebanon targeting Karmiel in northern Israeli occupied territories Friday, the regime's media reported.

The Israeli military said it had detected 30 rockets launched from Lebanon. Hezbollah said it launched a "rocket salvo" targeting the city, adding that

it had also fired rockets toward the settlements of Ma'alot-Tarshiha and Kiryat Shmona in northern occupied territories.

The retaliatory strikes came after Lebanon's health ministry said 10 people had been martyred in an initial toll for Israeli strikes in the country's east on Friday, most of them in a single village.

"Ten martyrs and 26 wounded in a preliminary toll for today's Israeli enemy strikes on the Baalbek-Hermel region," the ministry said, adding eight were killed in the village of Amhaz.

The Zionist regime on Friday also struck a building in the coastal city of Tyre in southern Lebanon, after other heavy Israeli raids there in recent days.

Friday's strike leveled the

building on the city's seafront, where rescuers and paramedics were seen pulling people from under the rubble.

The strikes followed a renewed but as yet of fruitless bout of purported U.S.-led diplomacy aimed at getting a ceasefire in Gaza and Lebanon to stop over a year of the Israeli genocide.

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Haaretz Publisher: Palestinians are 'Freedom Fighters'

TEL AVIV (Dispatches) -- Israel has launched a crack-down against Haaretz, one of the region's oldest newspapers founded in 1919 in historic Palestine nearly three decades before the creation of the Israeli entity, after its publisher described Israel as imposing an "apartheid regime" on Palestinians and characterized the current military onslaught on Gaza as a "second Nakba."

The ministries of interior, education and diaspora affairs announced they would sever ties with the newspaper following comments made by publisher Amos Schocken at a Haaretz conference in London on Sunday.

Communications minister Shlomo Karhi has gone further, proposing a comprehensive regime-wide boycott that would end all advertising and cancel subscriptions

for employees across regime institutions, including the military, police and prison service.

Speaking at the London conference, Schocken delivered a stark critique of the ultra-right regime of Benjamin Netanyahu while describing the Palestinian resistance as "freedom fighters".

"Netanyahu doesn't care about imposing a cruel apartheid regime on the Palestinian population," said Schocken. "It dismisses the costs to both sides for defending the [illegal West Bank] settlements while fighting the Palestinian freedom fighters that Israel calls terrorists."

Schocken described the current situation in the occupied territories and in Gaza as "a second Nakba", referencing the mass ethnic cleansing of Palestinians during Israel's establishment in 1948. He

also called for international pressure on Israel, arguing that "the only way to establish a necessary Palestinian state is to apply sanctions against Israel, against the leaders who oppose it, and against the settlers."

Following the backlash, Schocken said that on the path to the establishment Israel, Zionist militants "carried out shocking and dreadful terrorist activities and harmed innocent people in order to achieve their goals".

The publisher called on Israel to release of all Palestinians held in its prisons and submit to the establishment of a Palestinian state, "ending both apartheid and terrorism."

The Zionist regime's move against Haartez comes amid the ongoing military onslaught on Gaza where Israel is accused of carrying out

genocide against Palestinians.

Meanwhile, African-American writer and public intellectual Ta-Nehisi Coates has said he doesn't "give a fuck" if he is sidelined in the media for calling Israel's war on Gaza a genocide.

In an exclusive and wide-ranging interview with Middle East Eye, the award-winning author discussed his new book, The Message, his evolving views on Israel and Palestine and the 2024 U.S. election, amongst other issues.

For several years, Coates - who established a wide readership at The Atlantic, where he wrote about racism against African Americans - considered himself a liberal Zionist. In 2008, he even published an essay praising Israel called "The Negro Sings of Zionism".

But after receiving criticism for his 2014 essay "The Case for Reparations", which called for America to pay reparations for slavery and racial discrimination, drawing an analogy with Germany paying Israel reparations for the Holocaust, Coates said that he started to read more about the issue and began re-evaluating his views on Zionism.

"I was just dumbstruck," he told MEE when describing his May 2023 visit to the occupied West Bank. "I couldn't believe what I was seeing."

Coates said that he was shocked by seeing enforced segregation and hearing testimonies from Zionist soldiers about the violence they perpetrated against Palestinians.

He recalled that he was even stopped by a soldier who

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