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Humane's AI pin to let you ditch your phone

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new consumer device – Humane AI pin – is Lall set to pioneer the use of a voice assistant powered by ChatGPT - one of the first of many innovative offerings aiming to liberate users from the omnipresence of smartphones.

Fuelled by the support of former Apple executives and the financial backing of OpenAI CEO Sam Altman, the Humane AI Pin comes with a price tag of \$699 and a \$24 monthly subscription fee, offering users a unique and screenless experience. The gadget employs a laser display projected onto the user's hand, driven by natural language conversation and advanced AI models.

Tech innovations

Lead designer Imran Chaudhri, emphasised its standout feature: providing users with computing power while maintaining full engagement with their surroundings. Beyond standard wearable functionalities, the AI Pin introduces innovations such as email summarisation, potentially revolutionising digital communication efficiency. With features like voice messaging, calling capabilities, and a high-resolution camera that scans food for nutritional information, the device aligns seamlessly with Humane's dedication to meeting everyday needs through AI.



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Ceasefire to start at 7am today: Hamas

FIRST BATCH OF 13 CIVILIAN HOSTAGES TO BE FREED NINE HOURS LATER

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ar raged on in Gaza yesterday, as a proposed truce and release of hostages was delayed for at least another day.

Clouds of smoke could be seen billowing above northern Gaza's war zone from across the fence in Israel as daylight broke over the Gaza Strip, accompanied by the sounds of heavy gunfire and booming explosions.

The Israeli military said it had launched 300 air strikes in the past day.

Qatar, which facilitated the truce deal along with Egypt and the United States, said the pause would begin today at 7am (0500 GMT) with the "first batch" of 13 civilian hostages being handed over about nine hours later.

The armed wing of Hamas, the Ezzedine Al Qassam Brigades, confirmed the ceasefire would start at 7am under the deal that is also intended to provide aid to Gaza's 2.4 million residents struggling to survive with shortages of food, water and fuel.

"The truce applies for four days, starting from Friday morning, accompanied by the cessation of all military actions from the Qassam Brigades and the Palestinian resistance, as well as the Zionist enemy

AL SHIFA HOSPITAL DIRECTOR HELD

The Israeli military confirmed yesterday that the director of Al Shifa Hospital in the Gaza Strip had been held for questioning over evidence that the facility had been used as a command and control centre for Hamas.

The military said Dr Muhammad Abu Salamiyah had been in charge of the sprawling complex as Hamas militants built up a network of military infrastructure and stored weapons inside the hospital and its grounds.

"In the hospital, under his management, there was extensive Hamas terrorist activity," it said.

throughout the truce period," it said.

The office of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said it was in contact with the families of the hostages after receiving "a first list of names" for those due to be released. It did not specify who was on the

Governments around the world have welcomed the deal, with some expressing hope it will lead to a lasting end to the –Agencies

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