

An Emirates Airbus A380 passenger aircraft prepares for landing at Dubai International Airport in Dubai



Iranian refugees stand with their belongings after crossing the border from Iran to Armenia at a border check point in the southern Armenian town of Meghri



A US Air Force C-17A Globemaster III lands at RAF Fairford in south-west England



**Bahrain's interior ministry said yesterday that an Iranian drone attack damaged a water desalination plant, accusing Tehran of "randomly" targeting civilian infrastructure.**



Israeli tanks gather at a position along the Israel-Lebanon border



Israeli police and first responders gather at the site of an Iranian missile strike in the center of the Israeli coastal city of Tel Aviv

**Warplanes hit five oil facilities in and around the Iranian capital, killing at least four people**

# A strategic **mistake**

Neighbouring countries have borne much of Tehran's response after the US and Israel launched a massive air campaign against Iran, with 16 people, eight of them civilians, killed in the Gulf states since the war began

## Kuwait airport, Bahrain desalination unit struck

AFP | Kuwait City, Kuwait

Iran struck fuel tanks at Kuwait's international airport and a desalination plant in Bahrain as the war pressed into its second week.

Two border guards were also killed "while performing their national duty", Kuwait's interior ministry said without elaborating on the circumstances.

Iran President Massoud Pezeshkian warned Sunday that the Islamic republic "will be forced to respond" against its neighbours if their territory was used to attack it.

Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Kuwait all reported new attacks, after loud explosions were heard in Dubai and Bahrain's Manama a day earlier.

Fuel tanks at Kuwait's international airport were targeted in a drone attack, the military said.

The official Kuwait News Agency said a fire at the airport was brought under control, reporting no "significant injuries".

The military called the drone attack "a direct targeting of vital infrastructure".

### Israel military says struck Iran Guards 'space force' HQ

AFP | Jerusalem, Undefined

The Israeli military said on Sunday it had struck what it described as the "space force headquarters" of Iran's Revolutionary Guards in Tehran.

"As part of the strikes, the IDF targeted and dismantled

the Iranian regime's IRGC Space Force headquarters," the military said.

"The headquarters served as a reception, transmission and research centre for the Iranian Space Agency, which is affiliated with the regime's military," it said.

A separate statement said "some civilian facilities sustained material damage as a result of falling fragments and debris from interception operations".

#### 'Drone threats'

Kuwait's national oil company announced a "precautionary" cut to its crude production, as the country's military said Sunday that it had responded to several drone and missile attacks.

Authorities said Kuwait's main building for social security was targeted, causing material damage, and that it would not receive visitors there on Sunday.

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said Sunday that an Iranian drone attack damaged a water desalination plant, accusing Tehran of "randomly" targeting civilian infrastructure.

Iran's Revolutionary Guards Corps said on Saturday that it had struck the United States' Juffair base in Bahrain, adding it had been used to attack an Iranian desalination plant earlier in the day.

Bahrain's national communication office later said the Iranian attack on the desalination facility had no impact on water supplies or network capacity.

Falling missile debris also injured three people and damaged a university building in the Mu-

harraq area, the interior ministry said in a separate statement.

Saudi Arabia's defence ministry said on Sunday that it intercepted 33 drones, adding there were no reports of damage or casualties from the attacks.

Among them was a drone aimed at Riyadh's diplomatic quarter, also thwarted with no material damage or civilian injuries, the ministry's spokesman said, adding the capital and surrounding areas were targeted by 26 drones.

One drone targeted the Shaybah oil field in the southeast of the country, according to the Saudi defence ministry.

#### 'At the disposal of the enemy'

The UAE said its air defences detected 17 ballistic missiles on Sunday -- destroying 16, while one fell into the sea -- and intercepted 113 of 117 drones detected, with four falling inside the country.

Despite the Iranian president's apology to the Gulf countries for earlier strikes, hours later its judiciary chief said strikes would continue on sites in Gulf countries that were "at the disposal of the enemy".

### Attacks on Gulf states

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- In Kuwait, two border guards were killed while on duty, the interior ministry said. The military said fuel tanks at the country's international airport were targeted in a drone attack.

- Saudi Arabia's defence ministry reported intercepting 15 drones, including an attempted attack in the diplomatic quarter of the capital Riyadh.

- Bahrain said three people were wounded by falling missile debris and that a water desalination plant was damaged.

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TOP 4 TWEETS

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Worldwide, women hold just 64% of the legal rights enjoyed by men. When we are not equal under the law, we are not equal. We must fight discriminatory laws & practices to ensure justice, dignity, opportunity & freedom for women & girls everywhere.

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The achievements of India's Nari Shakti are a source of pride and a powerful reminder of the transformative role in nation building. As India progresses further, the aspirations and contributions of women will continue to guide our collective journey towards a strong and prosperous nation.

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Every war, every time, everywhere. Death. Destruction. Displacement. Deprivation. Nothing else changes. When will we learn?

@DrTedros

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Today, Usha and I joined President Trump and the First Lady in honoring the ultimate sacrifice made by six American heroes who were returned to their families at Dover.

@VP

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