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## Iran nuclear chief says program will progress under any U.S. president

TEHRAN – Iran's nuclear program will continue to advance, regardless of US politics, says the head of the nation's Atomic Energy Organization.

Mohammad Eslami acknowledged during a cabinet meeting on Wednesday that the Islamic Republic of Iran is steadfast in its commitment to developing its nuclear industry, regardless of any changes in leadership in the United States.

The Iranian Atomic Energy Organization's chief reiterated that Iran's nuclear activities are entirely peaceful and in compliance with international law, and that the country remains committed to advancing its nuclear capabilities for the betterment of its citizens.

Eslami further stated that Iran has achieved a level of self-sufficiency in the nuclear sector, particularly in the production of laser technology and essential high-consumption products.

head of Iran's Atomic Energy Organization highlighted a recent achievement, noting the inauguration of a fiber laser production line, which is now operational, and mentioned the establishment of a production line for laser cutting of non-ferrous metals. ▶ Page 2

## Bay of Dolphins: a marine paradise of the Persian Gulf

TEHRAN - The Bay of Dolphins is an exceptional natural attraction situated between the islands of Qeshm and Hengam in southern Iran.

This enchanting marine haven is part of the Persian Gulf's ecologically rich and diverse region, offering visitors an opportunity to witness fascinating marine life, from playful dolphins to sea turtles and colorful fish.

The bay's vibrant biodiversity and scenic beauty, combined with cultural experiences on the nearby islands, make it a must-visit destination for nature lovers and adventure seekers alike.

### Natural wonders of Qeshm Island

Qeshm, the largest island in the Persian Gulf, is renowned for its rich traditions, cultural heritage, and ecological diversity. Travelers flock to Qeshm for different reasons: some seek to experience southern Iranian culture, admiring the islanders' veiled garments and the rhythmic music played in the harbors. Others come for the gastronomic experience, savoring spicy seafood prepared with age-old recipes passed down through generations. But Qeshm's true magic lies in its pristine environment. It is a place where coral beaches, mangrove forests, and native wildlife coexist in harmony. ▶ Page 6

## Gallant's dismissal deepens divide

Divisions are growing in Israel after Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu dismissed war minister Yoav Gallant.

Protests have erupted in Israel in the wake of Gallant's dismissal. Many protesters on the streets of Tel Aviv and Jerusalem (al-Quds) called for Netanyahu to resign, and demanded the new war minister prioritize a captive deal.

Netanyahu who gave Gallant the axe on Tuesday said a "crisis of trust" with the war minister led to his decision. He added that his trust in Gallant had "eroded" in recent months and Foreign Minister Israel Katz would step in to replace him.

Netanyahu and Gallant have long had a divisive working relationship. During the past year, there have been reports of shouting matches between the two men over Israel's war strategy.

The International Criminal Court (ICC) has applied for arrest warrants against Gallant and Netanyahu, accusing them of committing atrocities such as starving Palestinians in Gaza and overseeing the extermination of civilians.

## Siege of Hezbollah or the last nail in the American coffin!

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BEIRUT - In light of the extensive US-led Israeli aggression on Lebanon and the continuous threats to target vital facilities, the anti-Hezbollah media goes in remarkably well in shedding light on Beirut International Airport, which is considered an essential outlet that Lebanon relies on economically, politically and touristically by claiming that it is under Hezbollah's control.

Indeed, it is hostile propaganda in itself to justify any aggression on the airport. It is promoted by morally bankrupt media without the slightest human responsibility.

It seems they carry a torch to pour oil on the fire of sedition.

This fabricated myth is not new, as Benjamin Netanyahu had previously claimed from the United Nations podium that Hezbollah uses it "to store missiles and explosives."

In a provocative report on June 23, 2024, The Telegraph quoted the Israel Occupation Force (IOF) claiming in a statement that "Hezbollah's strategy to

## No place in Israel safe from Hezbollah missiles

By Wesam Bahrani

TEHRAN - The new Secretary-General of the Lebanese Hezbollah warned the Israeli regime on Wednesday that it will suffer from the resistance movement's missiles and drones.

"No place in the entity (Israel) is off-limits to our missiles and drones. The coming days will reveal more, and what will happen will be greater," Sheikh Naeem Qassem said.

"We have tens of thousands of trained fighters capable of confrontation and resilience, and we have the necessary capabilities to endure for a long time," Sheikh Qassem highlighted.

Qassem was delivering a speech to mark the 40th day since Hezbollah Secretary-General Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah was martyred in a massive Israeli bombardment in the suburbs of Beirut.

"Hezbollah has an organized structure and presence across various cultural, political, fighting, educational, and healthcare fields. This is the party that His Eminence Sayyed Nasrallah built," Qassem pointed out.

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## Dismantling deep-rooted development barriers needs the solidarity of the Global South

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SHANGHAI - The current world is going through profound change on a scale unseen in a century. The group rise of the Global South, which represents emerging market countries and developing countries, is precisely one of the major signals of historical changes of today's world.

This October, after the expansion of the BRICS organization, the leaders of the BRICS countries met for the first time, opening up a new scenario of high-quality development of greater BRICS cooperation. The development of the BRICS mechanism is a manifestation of the prosperity and self-improvement of the Global South through strengthened and broader cooperation. ▶ Page 5



## President honors nurses, advocates for equity in healthcare

TEHRAN – Iranian president has underscored the vital role of healthcare professionals in the country, while emphasizing a commitment to fairness and support for vulnerable populations.

He made the remarks on Wednesday, during a ceremony celebrating the contributions of nurses. In his speech, President Pezeshkian emphasized the importance of taking an informed, scientific approach to national issues, highlighting teamwork and collective responsibility.

"We are all one team," he said, "and if we work together, we can achieve progress." He expressed gratitude for the work of nurses and other healthcare workers, acknowledging their role in improving the nation's well-being.

## Iran-China 7-month non-oil trade stands at \$18.8b

TEHRAN - The value of non-oil trade between Iran and China stood at \$18.8 billion in the first seven months of the current Iranian calendar year (March 20-October 21), the former head of the Islamic Republic of Iran Customs Administration (IRICA) announced.

Mohammad Rezvanifar said that Iran exported non-oil commodities valued at \$8.6 billion to China in the seven-month period, adding that China was the top export destination of Iran in that time span.

The official also announced that Iran has imported goods worth \$10.2 billion from China in the first seven months of this year.

China was the second top source of import for Iran in the mentioned time span, he added. ▶ Page 4

# Harris hubris versus Trump tricks

## Chickens come home to roost: Democrats' pro-Israel stance backfires in presidential election

By Shahrokh Saei

TEHRAN - Democrats suffered a humiliating defeat in the US presidential election in the wake of their unwavering support for Israel's brutal war on the Gaza Strip.

Former President Donald Trump emerged victorious against his Democratic rival, Vice President Kamala Harris in the election held on Tuesday.

Trump has made a historic comeback four years after leaving the White House, following his attempt to overturn the 2020 election to keep himself in power. It culminated in his supporters' mob attack on the US Capitol on January 6, 2021.

Since then, the billionaire real estate tycoon has faced two presidential impeachments, criminal conviction and many other criminal charges.

Trump's victory now means that he has paid no electoral consequences for his attempt to overturn the result of the previous presidential vote.

### Victory speech

Trump, a former reality star, declared victory in the presidential election a few hours before being confirmed as the winner.

Trump vowed at his Mar-a-Lago resort early Wednesday to deliver a strong and prosperous economy after millions of his voters turned to him amid frustration over high prices for food and housing.

"I want to thank the American people for the extraordinary honor of being elected your 47th president and your 45th president," Trump said.

The 78-year-old added, "This will truly be the golden age of America."

Trump is the second president to serve non-consecutive terms after Grover Cleveland in the late 1800s.

Trump vanquished Harris following what had been predicted to be a neck and neck race.

He has for the second time defied the aspirations of millions of Americans for a female president following his 2016 defeat of Hillary Clinton.

Harris had maintained a small lead over Trump in the national polling averages since entering the race at the end of July.

The election was initially a rematch of 2020 between incumbent President Joe Biden and Trump. But it was upended in July when Biden ended his campaign and endorsed his vice president.

Like Trump, Harris had outlined her plan to "build an economy where we bring down the cost of living".

### Washington warmongering

Nonetheless, amid the cost-of-living crisis and high inflation, the US spends taxpayer money on military adventurism beyond its borders.

Trump has vowed to end the war between Ukraine and Russia shortly after taking power. The US has spent tens of billions of dollars on this war, but it has failed to weaken Russia. In the meantime, the escalating energy crisis



resulting from the conflict has taken a heavy toll on American citizens and Europeans.

Both Republicans and Democrats wanted to pit Russia and Ukraine against each other. But Trump, on behalf of some Republicans, is now playing the blame game.

American people are also fed up with the US over spending their taxpayer money on Israel's war machine in West Asia.

Since Israel launched war on Gaza in October 2023, the United States has spent a record of around \$18 billion on military aid to the regime of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. The onslaught has so far claimed the lives of more than 43,400 Palestinians in Gaza.

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Biden and Harris have thrown their full weight behind the Israeli genocidal war in Gaza and brutal strikes in Lebanon. But Israel has failed to achieve its goals, which mainly include the elimination of Hezbollah and Hamas resistance movements.

### Condemning crimes

Over the course of the Gaza war, huge anti-war protests have been staged throughout the United States.

American protesters have denounced the Biden administration for supporting Israel and arming the regime.

Prior to Biden's withdrawal from the presidential race, protesters in some swing states called him "Genocide Joe" over his complicity in the Israeli carnage in Gaza.

In March, a pro-Palestine activist interrupted Biden's campaign speech in Atlanta.

"You're a dictator, Genocide Joe...Tens of thousands of Palestinians are dead. Children are dying," the activist shouted.

It stood out a mile that Arab American voters, who played a key role in determining the fate of presidential election, would turn their back on Democrats over their unwavering support for Israel.

In the Democratic primaries, particularly on Super Tuesday, a significant number of people, including Arab and Muslim voters who helped Biden beat Trump in the 2020 election marked their ballots "uncommitted".

Harris is now facing the consequences of the US administration's failure to stop Israeli barbaric attacks. She has supported Israel's aggressive military operations in Gaza and Lebanon, aligning with the regime's narrative that these strikes target Hamas and Hezbollah positions.

### Utter disgrace

The city of Dearborn, Michigan, is the largest majority Arab American city in the United States. In a rebuke of the Biden administration's handling of Israel's onslaught on Gaza and Lebanon, its residents broke in favor of Trump.

Harris suffered a humiliating defeat in Dearborn because back in 2020 Biden won the city with a 74.2 percent of the vote, compared to 24.2 percent for Trump.

Trump had pledged to bring an end to the Gaza conflict; however, it is evident that his primary intention was to diminish Harris's voter support.

Harris and Trump are just different sides of the same coin. Neither of them will care a whit about the lives of Palestinian and Lebanese people who are being massacred by the Israeli regime. Harris's loss only indicates that Americans sought to express their frustration with the US administration's backing of Israel.

## Dismantling deep-rooted development barriers needs the solidarity of the Global South

From page 1 ▶ China is an advocate of BRICS development and an actor in promoting the implementation and deepening of greater BRICS cooperation. Under the BRICS and other multilateral frameworks, China's close cooperation with Iran is an important manifestation of South-South cooperation. In recent years, China and Iran have been making progress in pragmatic cooperation in various fields, including politics, economy and trade, and culture, and the potential of bilateral cooperation is constantly being released.

On October 23, Chinese President Xi Jinping attended the 16th BRICS Summit and proposed a speech titled "Combining the Great Strength of the Global South to Build Together a Community with a Shared Future for Mankind". In this speech, President Xi stated that in order to promote the high-quality development of the greater BRICS, we should build a BRICS committed to peace, innovation, green development, justice and closer people-to-people exchanges. BRICS can be the defender of common security, the pioneer of high-quality development, the practitioner

of sustainable development, the leader in reforming global governance system, and the advocate of harmonious coexistence among all civilizations

Since its establishment, the BRICS cooperation mechanism has increased its internal cohesion in the economic, political and security fields. However, the deep-rooted contradictions in global development are multifaceted, involving the realization of international justice, North-South relations, the gap of wealth, the peace deficits, and civilizational mistrust, which are complex and intertwined. Dismantling deep-rooted development barriers in global development requires stronger and closer solidarity and collaboration of the Global South.

### Upholding equity and justice

The problem of global inequality has existed for a long history. As economic globalization has developed to this day, the distribution of power on the international political stage has not matched economic power. The national strength of the Global South countries has continued to increase, but their influence and voice have

not matched the efficiency of the increase in national strength.

The concept of economic globalization of neoliberalism is actually the economic ideology dominated by developed economies. This economic mode often ignores the development vision of other developing countries and exacerbates inequality in the international community. The existing global value chain once condoned the concentration of wealth in the North at the expense of the interests of the South countries. Only when the South countries gain more powerful voice and more rights of representation, can the world fundamentally rethink the way out for human development, give priority to people-oriented development needs more fairly, and consider truly sustainable fairness.

The rise of the Global South represents the hope of establishing a real fair and equitable international order. The BRICS countries can take openness and inclusiveness as their concept, pursue fairness and justice, practice true multilateralism, and then serves the common interests of humanity in

global governance.

### Sustaining development

Innovation is the driving force of development. A new round of scientific and technological revolution and industrial transformation requires the cultivation of new productivity and the harmony between human and nature. Green is the color of the era we live in. Only sustainable and coordinated development can truly bridge the development gap between the North and the South. This gulf in development used to be reflected not only in political and economic status, but also in sense of ecological system.

From the evolution of ecological politics, the global metabolic rift has existed for a long time. The ecological debt owed by northern countries is equivalent to strengthening the unequal power relations in the international system. Southern countries should neither fall into the dilemma between utilizing resources and promoting development, nor should they be held back by the ecological politics defined by developed countries.

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The new Hezbollah leader also said Gaza will remain resilient, firm and unyielding, and it will achieve victory.

He noted, "We will make the enemy seek to stop its aggression, and we are building on the battlefield, not on political movements."

Touching on the elections in the United States and the possibility of political talks to end the Israeli aggression on Lebanon, which critics have accused of serving Israeli interests, the Hezbollah chief said, "When the enemy decides to stop its aggression, negotiations will take place through indirect talks via the Lebanese government and President (parliament speaker) Nabih Berri, who carries the banner of political resistance."

With regards to the elections in the United States, and how this may end the Israeli aggression on Lebanese civilians, expand it or affect the Lebanese resistance, Sheikh Qassem noted, "Hezbollah does not rely on the American elections, which hold no value for us. We will depend on the battlefield, and the occupation is losing in this area, not winning, and we will prevent it from achieving its goals. The strength of the resistance lies in its continuity despite the military disparities, and with the power of will and confrontation, in which we are stronger."

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only endurance, patience, and remaining in the field until victory, and we cannot be defeated."

He also warned, "[Israeli Prime Minister] Netanyahu refuses to set an end date for the war, as his plan extends beyond Gaza, Palestine, and Lebanon to reshape the Middle East."

However, Sheikh Qassem noted, "Netanyahu does not realize that he is facing a Resistance with fundamental strengths, including unwavering beliefs and martyrdom-seeking fighters unafraid of death. Among the Resistance's key strengths are its preparations and capabilities in weaponry, abilities, and training."

### Hezbollah targets an Israeli military base in the vicinity of Ben Gurion Airport for the first time.

He added, "The occupation also relies on its ground army, which does not serve it well, as it fears close combat and faces a resilient Resistance on the [Lebanese] border."

As Sheikh Qassem was speaking, Hezbollah announced that its fighters targeted another Merkava tank in the settlement of Metula with an anti-tank guided missile, resulting in its destruction and the deaths and injuries of its crew.

Earlier, Hezbollah targeted the Israeli Yoav barracks and Kela Camp in the occupied Syrian Golan with missile barrages.

Among its other operations on Wednesday, the resistance also "targeted the Nahal Gershom headquarters (a divisional headquarters of the Galilee Division 91 under the command of the Northern Region in the Israeli) enemy army with an assault drone, hitting the target precisely."

The Rawiya Base (the headquarters of the Armored Battalions of Brigade 188 in the Israeli Army) in the occupied Syrian Golan was also struck with a missile barrage.

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