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## Hasina quits , flees Bangladesh , lands in India

Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has resigned and fled from the country when she arrived at Hindon airbase in New Delhi . He is seeking asylum in the UK .

## What happened in Bangladesh on Monday :

Students group :Students against Discrimination ' has called a 'March to Dhaka ' campaign demanding Ms Hansina's resignation.

Thousands started gathering at the main points of Dhaka defying curfew orders .

Police stopped them but could not hold as the number of protesters was very large .

At 3 PM local time , police breached the gates of the official residence of Ms Hasina , and entered its premises . Ms Hasina resigned . She was airlifted on a Mi17 helicopter which landed in Agartala . She boarded C130 to land at Hindon air force station in New Delhi . She met National Security Advisor Ajit Doval and Air Force Western Air Command Air Marshal P.M .Sinha at Hindon .

She is expected to stay in India for a night or two as she awaits approval for asylum in the UK . Her sister Rehana, who is accompanying her , already holds a UK passport .



## Army Chief takes over ; interim government will be formed

In Dhaka , Army chief Waker Uz Zaman confirmed her resignation. In a press conference he said that therein is in the Army's hand for now .

He urged protestors to stop the unrest and pledged to meet their demands and bring justice to those who were killed .

He said that he would hold talks with opposition parties and civil society members , but not the Awami league , Sheikh Hasina's party .

An interim government will be formed .

## What led to the resignation of Sheikh Hasina ?

A Student protest had started against 30 % reservation for the descendents of 1971 Bangladesh Independence movement .

PM Sheikh Hasina called the protesters ' Razakars ' , which is a derogatory term used for those who helped the Pakistani army during the 1971 independence movement .

Protest turned violent and more than 150 protesters were killed . The Internet was shut down , and the army was called to take over security .

On July 21 , Bangladesh Supreme Court scrapped the 30 % quota and reduced it to 5% .

This halted students protest .Students demand apology from PM Sheikh Hasina for the death of protesters and for her words against them . They refused any talk with her .



On July 29 , students resumed their protest demanding resignation of Mrs Hasina . The Internet was suspended , and more than 300 died in clashes between protesters and those who were pro government .

Sheikh Hasina in her address on August 4, called the protesters as ‘ terrorists ‘ , and said that they will be dealt with firmly .

On August 5 , Students breached security , entered her house . She resigned and landed in India. In elections held in January , Awami League party of Sheikh Hasina got 225 seats out of a total of 300 seats . This was Ms Hasina’s fourth consecutive term as Prime Minister of Bangladesh .

## India silent as Hasina flees Bangladesh amid unrest

On Monday , the External Affairs Ministry made no statement about the situation in Bangladesh or on Ms Hasina on Monday .

In the evening , PM Modi chaired a meeting of the Cabinet Committee on Security ( CCS ) . EAM S Jaishankar briefed PM Modi about the situation in Bangladesh .

On Sunday , the Ministry of External Affairs had issued an advisory “ strongly advising “ Indian nationals not to travel to Bangladesh and asking those in the country to exercise “extreme caution “ while moving around .

Train services between India and Bangladesh have been suspended by the Indian government . Extra personnel has been deployed along the border , says BSF . Security has been beefed up to the Indian High Commission in Bangladesh .

## L- G can nominate 10 aldermen to Delhi corporation , rules SC

The Supreme Court on Monday held that the authority of Lieutenant Governor (L- G ) of Delhi to nominate 10 persons in Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD ) is a statutory duty and not bound by aid and advice of the council of Ministers .

Three Judge constitutional Bench headed by CJI DY Chandrachud had reserved the judgement in the case on May 17 , 2023 .

The Bench held that the power of L -G is derived from section 3 (3) ( b) (1) of Delhi Municipal Corporation Act , 1957 . The act was amended in 1993 , to vest the power to nominate 10 expert persons . The petition filed by AAP government had said that democratically elected government be allowed to run MCD without interference from L-G .

“ This is a law made by Parliament ... The law requires L-G to exercise power “ the court noted .

## HC upholds Kejriwal’s arrest by CBI in excise case

Delhi High court on Monday rejected the bail plea of Arvind Kejriwal .

The court in another case also said that there was no malice on the part of CBI arresting Arvind Kejriwal . “ It can not be said that the arrest was without any unjustifiable reason or illegal “ .

Mr Kejriwal’s plea had asked the high court to declare all his arrest by CBI as illegal .

CBI had arrested Mr Kejriwal from Tihar jail on June 26 . Earlier lower court had rejected the bail plea . The court held that only after only after collecting sufficient evidence in April 2024 , CBI proceeded for the arrest of Mr Kejriwal . Court also said that there were links of this crime even in Punjab , but witnesses could come in front only after arrest of Mr Kejriwal by ED .

Two of the witnesses has also turned to approver .

## Justify inclusion of 77 castes in OBC list : SC to Bengal government

The Supreme Court ( SC ) on Monday gave the “ opportunity ” to justify inclusion of 77 castes largely Muslim community in the list of State’s Other Backward Community ( OBC ) list .

On May 22 , Calcutta High court had strike down the inclusion of several of these castes in OBC list . West Bengal government later . over to SC .



The SC asked the state to present the nature of survey and material in possession that led state to include these castes in OBC list .

The petitioner a private respondent had said that there was meaningful consultation with West Bengal Backward Class Commission with respect to designation of 37 of these communities .

Procedure for inclusion of a caste in SC /ST / OBC list – Under Article 341 and 342 of constitution , state government has power to include a community in SC / ST / OBC list . But this needs approval from Registrar General of India ( RGI ) and National Commission of Scheduled Caste / Scheduled Tribe / Backward Class , NCSC /NCST / NCBC .

## Revocation of Article 370 a ‘ watershed moment ‘ : Modi

On the anniversary of scrapping Article 370 from J&K , PM Modi called it a ‘ watershed moment in nation’s history ‘ this started ‘ a new era of progress ‘ in Union territory .

## NPAs on Mudra loan has come down

Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman informed the Lok Sabha on Monday that Non Performing Assets ( NPA ) under Mudra Loan has come down to 3.4 % in FY 24 , a significant decline from 4.77% in 2020- 21 .

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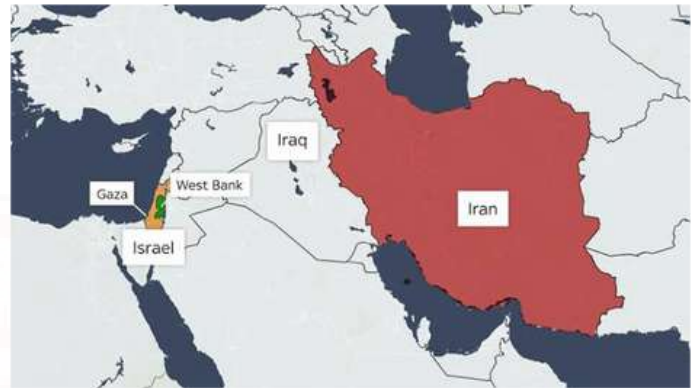
## UN seeks urgent de escalation in West Asia ; Iran reserves right to strike back

The UN High commissioner for human rights Volker Turk on Monday called for an urgent de escalation in West Asia , over fears that Gaza war could spread . Iran on Monday said that it had “ legal right to punish “ Israel over last week’s killing of Hamas Leader Ismail Haineyeh in Tehran .

Israel has not commented on the killing . There is fear that Iran can join along with Hezbollah in a retaliatory strike .

Israel is exchanging daily cross border fire with Hezbollah .

Gaza’s civil defense agency said that it received the bodies of 80 unidentified Palestinians from Israel on Monday .



## Nine UNRWA employees ‘ may have been involved ‘ in oct 7 , Hamas attack , says UN

United nations said on Monday , that nine employees of its agency for Palestinian Refugees ( UNRWA ) ,” may have been involved in “ October 7 attack on southern Israel by Hamas .

“ We have sufficient information to take the action to take the action that we are taking – that is to say , termination of these nine individuals “ , UN Spokesperson. Farhan Haq said .

Earlier this year Israel had alleged that about 19 UNRWA employees may have been involved in October 7 attack by Hamas .

UNRWA is aid agency of UN which works particularly to facilitate humanitarian aid , education and health in West Asia . It runs many schools and hospitals and aid services in Gaza .







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## Australia lifts terror threat level to from 'possible' to 'probable'

The Australian government has increased the terror threat alert level from "possible" to "probable", citing concern about increasing radicalisation among young people and community tension after Israel Hamas war.

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