

Red Cross chief arrives in Gaza, says suffering 'intolerable'

GENEVA: The Red Cross president arrived in war-torn Gaza on Monday, calling for the protection of civilians in the Palestinian territory, where she warned that human suffering was "intolerable."

The International Committee of the Red Cross said ICRC President Mirjana Spoljaric's travel to the region would happen in several stages with "a visit to Israel expected over the coming weeks."

"I have arrived in Gaza, where people's suffering is intolerable," Spoljaric said on X, formerly Twitter.

Egyptian Space Agency announces successful launch of MisrSat 2 satellite from China

CAIRO: The Egyptian Space Agency has reported that the launch of the MisrSat 2 satellite from China was successful.

The agency said: "This (the launch) is in light of the strategic partnership between the governments of Egypt and China and the fruitful and constructive cooperation between the two friendly countries."

A team of Egyptian engineers collaborated with Chinese experts in the satellite's design and manufacture.

It was assembled and tested at the EGSA's Satellite Assembly, Integration, and Testing Center.

Netanyahu graft trial resumes in Israel in midst of Gaza war

JERUSALEM: Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's corruption trial resumed on Monday, despite the country's continuing war against Hamas in the Gaza Strip.

The trial was suspended after the Palestinian militant group's Oct. 7 attack

on southern Israel in which 1,200 people were killed and 240 more kidnapped according to Israeli officials.

Netanyahu, leader of Israel's right-wing Likud party, is accused of bribery, fraud and breach of trust, allegations he denies.

[Egypt's president opens defense expo showcasing latest technology](#)

CAIRO: Egyptian President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi opened the third edition of the Egypt Defense Expo on Monday.

El-Sisi inspected pavilions and watched a documentary about the country's military.

More than 400 companies from 46 countries are participating at the event, which is being held at Egypt International Exhibition Center in Cairo between Dec. 4-7.

EDEX 2023 aims to showcase the latest military technology, equipment, and systems.

[Tension mounts on southern front as Lebanon's Hamas launches 'resistance project'](#)

BEIRUT: Hostilities escalated on Monday on the southern front of Lebanon between Hezbollah and the Israeli army.

A preliminary report said that a Syrian national was injured as a result of Israeli shelling targeting the Al-Wazzani border village. Avichay Adraee, the Israeli army spokesperson, said that "three soldiers were slightly injured" after Hezbollah had targeted the Israeli military outpost of Shtula.