

## Indian Prime Minister Modi arrives in Egypt on a two-day visit to strengthen ties

CAIRO: Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi kicked off a two-day visit to Egypt on Saturday, a trip that underscores the growing ties between the two countries.

Modi's flight landed at Cairo's international airport Saturday afternoon, coming from a four-day trip to the US where he held talks with President Joe Biden, delivered a speech to the US Congress, and met with top American and Indian executives.

It's the first state visit to Egypt by an Indian prime minister since 1997.

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## Air strikes, artillery, killings in Sudan as aid stalls

KHARTOUM: Artillery fire, air strikes and gun battles rocked Sudan's capital on Saturday, witnesses told AFP, as the UN urged a stop to "wanton killings" that have left decomposing bodies in Darfur.

While fighting rages, relief efforts have stalled after more than two months of fighting between rival generals.

Houses in Khartoum shook from the fighting that continued unabated, residents said, with entire families sheltering in place, running low on vital supplies in the baking summer heat.

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## Campaign in Egypt to educate beachgoers about perils of taking drugs

CAIRO: The Egyptian government has launched a new campaign aimed at educating beachgoers about the perils of taking drugs.

The target audience includes vacationers on the beaches and in the cities of coastal provinces and their families, said Dr. Amr Othman, assistant minister of social solidarity.

Othman said that the Fund for Combating and Treating Addiction and Abuse, headed by Dr. Nevin Al-Kabbaj, had raised awareness of the harmful effects of drug abuse.

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## **Morocco says Abraham Accords summit to be postponed until after summer**

LONDON: Moroccan Foreign Minister Nasser Bourita said on Friday a summit of signatories to the Abraham Accords, which had been planned in Morocco this summer, will be postponed.

He cited agenda problems and an unpropitious political context of “provocative and unilateral acts” that “undermine peace efforts in the region” for the postponement.

Israel normalized relations with several Arab countries under the Abraham Accords sponsored by the US and former president Donald Trump in 2020.

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## **UN says 37 migrants missing after shipwreck between Tunisia and Italy**

ROME: Thirty-seven migrants are missing after their boat capsized between Tunisia and the Italian island of Lampedusa, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) said on Friday, citing an account by four survivors of the shipwreck.

The United Nations agency said the survivors, all from sub-Saharan Africa, arrived on Lampedusa late on Thursday, having been rescued from the shipwreck by another vessel.

The survivors told the IOM they left the Tunisian port of Sfax heading for Italy with 46 people aboard, but their boat capsized in strong winds.