## Warring parties trade blame for damaged dam south of Khartoum

KHAROUM: The Sudanese army and the paramilitary Rapid Support Forces blamed each other on Saturday for a strike that damaged a bridge over the Jebel Awlia dam south of Khartoum, the latest piece of key infrastructure to suffer in a seven-moth war.

The extent of the damage to the dam was unclear, but severe damage to the dam threatened major flooding of the White Nile.

In recent weeks, a bridge in the capital Khartoum and a crucial oil depot were damaged in strikes, for which the two forces also blamed each other.

## Israeli drone fires missiles at aluminum plant in south Lebanon

BEIRUT: An Israeli drone fired two missiles at an aluminum plant outside the southern Lebanese market town of Nabatieh on Saturday, causing a fire and widespread damage.

The Israeli strike near the village of Toul is the first to hit the area since the 34-day war in 2006 between Israel and the Hezbollah.

The drone targeted the factory on the Toul-Kfour road at 4 a.m. It was the first time an industrial facility had been targeted during the recent violence, a resident told Arab News.

## 'Bring them home': marching for days, families of Gaza hostages reach Jerusalem

JERUSALEM: Clutching photos of their missing loved ones, hundreds of relatives of hostages snatched into Gaza on October 7 marched into Jerusalem on Saturday to demand answers from the Israeli government.

The families, their faces etched with exhaustion and stress, were joined by thousands of supporters on the march which set out Tuesday from the coastal city of Tel Aviv, urging action to bring to the release of captives.

#### <u>Video of Israeli soldier hurling</u> <u>grenade in West Bank village mosque</u> <u>goes viral</u>

BEIRUT: An Israeli soldier who was viewed by millions on social media hurling a stun grenade in a village mosque in the West Bank has been reportedly suspended by the Israel Defense Forces.

In an 18-second video that went viral across thousands of social media handles, the IDF soldier was seen asking someone to film him tossing the stungrenade inside Budrus' Grand Mosque.

The call for Fajr (sunrise) prayer can be heard in the background of the video while the soldier walks toward the mosque's entrance. He then hurls the grenade that can be heard exploding.

# Talk of Israeli reoccupation of Gaza raises questions of legal obligations and responsbilities

LONDON: Israel has left open the prospect of its reoccupation of the Gaza Strip after the anticipated defeat of the Palestinian militant group Hamas, claiming it will be responsible for finding a civilian administration to take over the Palestinian territory.

The prospect of a return to direct Israeli administration, however, raises a host of questions about what obligations and responsibilities it would have as an occupying power, given Gaza's unique characteristics in relation to international law.