

Tensions mount after settlers allowed into Al-Aqsa Mosque, Israeli forces kill 2 Palestinians

RAMALLAH: Tensions in the West Bank were on Tuesday running high after Israeli security services on Monday allowed settlers to enter Al-Aqsa Mosque, violating a status quo forbidding such incursions in the last 10 days of Ramadan.

And as violence continued, the Israeli army killed two Palestinians and injured a third in the village of Deir Al-Hatab, east of Nablus, during an ambush on Tuesday near the Elon Moreh settlement.

Soldiers killed in firefight between Armenia and Azerbaijan

TBILISI/BAKU: South Caucasus rivals Armenia and Azerbaijan on Tuesday accused each other of opening fire around the contested Nagorno-Karabakh region in a clash that resulted in deaths on both sides.

Defense ministries from both countries issued statements on Tuesday afternoon saying an unspecified number of their own troops had been killed in a clash close to the contested Lachin Corridor.

Israeli forces kill two Palestinians as British-Israeli buried

DEIR AL-HATAB: Israeli forces shot dead two Palestinian militants Tuesday in the West Bank, on a day mourners laid to rest a British-Israeli woman who died in an attack that also killed her two daughters.

Israeli-Palestinian violence has surged over the last week, with the Muslim fasting month of Ramadan, Jewish Passover and Christian Easter coinciding.

"I commend the actions of the soldiers who eliminated two terrorists who opened fire on them near Elon Moreh," a Jewish settlement close to the West Bank city of Nablus, Defense Minister Yoav Gallant said on Twitter.

British-Israeli mother dies 3 days after West Bank attack: hospital

JERUSALEM: A British-Israeli woman has died of injuries she sustained in a shooting attack Friday in the occupied West Bank that also killed her two daughters, a Jerusalem hospital said.

"We announce with sadness the passing of Lucy (Leah) Dee, a victim of the fatal attack in the (Jordan) Valley last Friday," the hospital said in a statement Monday.

"Unfortunately, despite intense and relentless efforts, due to the critical nature of her injuries, the team had to determine her death today."

Israeli forces kill Palestinian child, 15, in West Bank raid

RAMALLAH: Israeli forces killed a 15-year-old Palestinian boy on Monday in a raid on a West Bank camp, amid wider clashes during a settler march and a mass intrusion into the grounds of Al-Aqsa Mosque.

Palestinian medical sources said Mohammed Balhan was killed as Israeli forces stormed the Aqabat Jaber near Jericho in the West Bank. Balhan was hit with three bullets to the head, abdomen and pelvis during clashes.

Two other civilians suffered bullet wounds to their lower bodies and five other civilians were arrested.