

## **Supplies alone won't save Gaza hospital patients and evacuation remains perilous, experts say**

LONDON: As concerns grow for patients stranded inside Gaza's biggest hospital, experts warned that transporting vulnerable people, including babies, is a perilous proposition under even the best circumstances. On Tuesday, Palestinian authorities proposed a supervised evacuation of Shifa Hospital, a sprawling complex that runs several city blocks in the heart of Gaza City. Hours later, Israeli forces raided the facility – further complicating the picture.

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## **Gaza cancer patients arrive in Turkiye for treatment**

ANKARA: More than two dozen Palestinian cancer patients, who had crossed from Gaza into Egypt, arrived in Turkiye for treatment in the early hours of Thursday, Turkiye's Anadolu agency reported. Two planes carrying the patients, many of them children, landed at Ankara airport shortly after 00:30 am local time (2130 GMT). Turkiye has sent a ship loaded with material for field hospitals, ambulances and generators to Egypt to treat civilians who have been able to flee Israel's military operation against Hamas militants in the enclave.

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## **Qatar calls for international probe into Israeli raids on Gaza hospitals**

DOHA: Qatar on Wednesday urged an international investigation into Israeli raids on medical facilities in the Gaza Strip, denouncing as a "war crime" Israel's latest operation inside Al-Shifa hospital targeting Hamas. The Qatari foreign ministry in a statement called for "an urgent international investigation" including by the United Nations to look into "the targeting of hospitals by the Israeli occupation army."

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## **US warship fires on drone launched from Yemen**

WASHINGTON: An American warship opened fire on a drone that was heading toward it from Yemen, a US defense official said Wednesday. The official did not specify who launched the aircraft, but Yemen's Iran-backed Houthi rebels have claimed responsibility for a series of recent drone and missile attacks during Israel's war against Hamas. The USS Thomas Hudner guided missile destroyer "engaged a drone that originated from Yemen and was heading in the direction of the ship," the defense official said.

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## **UN agency report says Iran has further increased its uranium stockpile**

VIENNA: Iran has further increased its stockpile of uranium enriched to nearly weapons-grade levels, according to a report by the United Nations' nuclear watchdog seen by The Associated Press on Wednesday. The International Atomic Energy Agency also said that Iran has pushed back against the agency's objections to Tehran's ban on some of its inspectors designated to monitor the country's nuclear program.