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US and Israel launched a major coordinated military strike against Iran on Saturday, with Iran responding with missile and drone attacks across Israel and Gulf states. The conflict has spread across the Middle East, affecting Lebanon, Yemen, Iraq and Gulf nations. Follow our live updates for the latest developments on the US-Israel-Iran war, ceasefire talks, oil prices, and regional security.

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Netanyahu had set the elimination or at least severe degradation of Iran's nuclear programme as a central goal of the war, describing it as an "existential threat" to Israel.

He also called for neutralising Iran's ballistic missile capabilities, weakening or potentially toppling the Iranian regime, and curbing Tehran's regional influence by targeting its network of allied groups.

"It will take us years to repair the political and strategic damage that Netanyahu caused due to arrogance, negligence, and lack of strategic planning," Lapid said.

The United States and Iran agreed to a two-week ceasefire in an 11th-hour bid to avert all-out destruction of Iran threatened by US President Donald Trump.

Israel said it supported Trump's decision to suspend his bombing of Iran, but maintained the ceasefire "does not include Lebanon".

Israel has been battling Iran-backed Hezbollah since the Lebanese armed group launched rocket fire at Israel in March.

12:11 (IST) Apr 08 **Iran War Ceasefire: Kyiv urges US to turn attention back to Ukraine war after Iran ceasefire**

Kyiv on Wednesday called on the United States to preserve Russia into ending its invasion of Ukraine, saying Washington's ceasefire agreement with Iran showed the success of US "decisiveness."

"American decisiveness works. We believe it is time for sufficient decisiveness to force Moscow to cease fire and end its war against Ukraine," Ukrainian Foreign Minister Andriy Sybiga wrote on social media.

12:10 (IST) Apr 08 **Iran War Ceasefire: 'Iran declared victory by waging asymmetric war in response,' says former US Treasury counterterrorism analyst**

Executive Director at the Foundation for Defence of Democracies (FDD) and former US Treasury counterterrorism analyst, Jonathan Schanzer has said that although Iran has "claimed victory," the question of the real victor still looms.

Schanzer, in a conversation with ANI, said that the US and Israel waged war on Iran, and Iran declared victory simply by surviving.

"This gets to a core question that has been really difficult to answer for all the years of the 21st century. The United States and Israel have gone to war, and even if you look at a country like Russia, they go to war and win on a conventional level. They gain territory, degrade their enemy, and prevent their enemy from being able to fight with any real power. And yet, the other side declares victory simply by surviving—simply by waging an asymmetric war in response," he said on Tuesday (local time).

Schanzer said that Iran claimed victory because it was able to close the Strait of Hormuz with a few asymmetric attacks.

"That's exactly what's happened here. The U.S. and Israel have absolutely dominated the battlefield. They have air superiority; they've destroyed the missiles, the nukes, and the defense industrial base of the Islamic Republic. And yet, standing on the rubble, you have the IRGC waving the flag and saying they've won because they were able to close the Strait of Hormuz with a few asymmetric attacks," he said.

Schanzer added, "This is, unfortunately, the playbook for modern warfare. Western nations that want to maintain their edge are going to have to start to redefine either what victory looks like or what the laws of war are at their core. We're just beginning to grapple with this because it's a problem that isn't going away."

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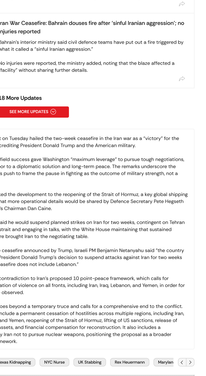


11:33 (IST) Apr 08 **US Iran Ceasefire: Indonesia backs ceasefire, Japan calls it 'positive move'**

Indonesia has joined other countries in welcoming the ceasefire between the US and Iran, with foreign ministry spokesperson Yvonne Mewengkang urging all parties to respect sovereignty, territorial integrity and diplomacy.

Japan's chief cabinet secretary Minoru Kihara also welcomed the two-week truce, calling it a "positive move" while expressing hope for a "final agreement."

12:14 (IST) Apr 08 **Iran War Ceasefire: Bahrain douses fire after 'sinful Iranian aggression'; no injuries reported**

Bahrain's interior ministry said civil defence teams have put out a fire triggered by what it called a "sinful Iranian aggression."

No injuries were reported, the ministry added, noting that the blaze affected a "facility" without sharing further details.

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Karoline Leavitt on Tuesday hailed the two-week ceasefire in the Iran war as a "victory" for the United States, crediting President Donald Trump and the American military.

She said battlefield success gave Washington "maximum leverage" to pursue tough negotiations, opening the door to a diplomatic solution and long-term peace. The remarks underscore the administration's push to frame the pause in fighting as the outcome of military strength, not a retreat.

Leavitt also linked the development to the reopening of the Strait of Hormuz, a key global shipping route, adding that more operational details would be shared by Defence Secretary Pete Hegseth and Joint Chiefs Chairman Dan Caine.

Trump earlier said he would suspend planned strikes on Iran for two weeks, contingent on Tehran reopening the strait and engaging in talks, with the White House maintaining that sustained military pressure brought Iran to the negotiating table.

Reacting to the ceasefire announced by Trump, Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu said "the country supported US President Donald Trump's decision to suspend attacks against Iran for two weeks but said the ceasefire does not include Lebanon."

This stands in contradiction to Iran's proposed 10 point-peace framework, which calls for complete cessation of violence on all fronts, including Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, and Yemen, in order for ceasefire to be observed.

The proposal goes beyond a temporary truce and calls for a comprehensive end to the conflict. Key demands include a permanent cessation of hostilities across multiple regions, including Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, and Yemen, reopening of the Strait of Hormuz, lifting of US sanctions, release of frozen Iranian assets, and financial compensation for reconstruction. It also includes a commitment by Iran not to pursue nuclear weapons, positioning the proposal as a broader settlement framework.

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