

High and Extreme Severity Events: March 25, 2026 Conflict Between US, Israel, Gulf Countries and Iran

Israel

- A missile hit was recorded in the area of Hadera during the late morning hours of March 25, 2026.
- Preliminary reports indicated smoke near the Orot Rabin Power Plant in Hadera.
- The Israel Electric Company clarified no damage was caused to the power plant or electricity infrastructure.
- No casualties were recorded despite the missile hit.
- The National Security Council assessed the ongoing conflict with Iran is increasing the threat of terrorist attacks targeting Israelis abroad as of March 25, 2026.
- Iran is likely to intensify efforts during upcoming holidays, including Passover, Shavuot, Memorial Day, and Independence Day.
- Elevated-risk geographies include countries bordering Iran such as Azerbaijan, Georgia, Turkey, and the United Arab Emirates.
- The National Security Council discourages travel to the Sinai Peninsula, except for transit to or from Taba Airport.

United Arab Emirates

- The Ministry of Defense confirmed air defense systems were active nationwide amidst the threat of incoming missiles and UAVs during the overnight hours of March 25-26, 2026.
- Sounds of explosions were the result of air defense systems intercepting aerial targets.
- The Ministry of Interior confirmed air defense systems were active nationwide during the afternoon hours of March 25, 2026.
- The Ministry of Defense stated a Moroccan national who was a civilian contractor affiliated with the Emirati armed forces was killed in an Iranian missile attack on Bahrain.
- This marks the first confirmed UAE-linked fatality attributed to an Iranian missile strike in a partner Gulf state.

Bahrain

- The Ministry of Interior confirmed sirens were sounded nationwide during the early morning hours of March 25, 2026.
- The extreme risk level reflects the threat of Iranian missile and UAV intrusions targeting Bahrain.

Saudi Arabia

- The Ministry of Defense confirmed the interception of three UAVs in Eastern Province during the afternoon hours of March 25, 2026.
- The extreme risk level reflects Iranian missile and UAV intrusions targeting Saudi Arabia.

Kuwait

- Air defenses were active due to missile and UAV threats in Kuwaiti airspace during the early morning hours of March 25, 2026.
- The extreme risk level reflects Iranian missile and UAV intrusions targeting Kuwait.

Regional Context

- The widening Middle East conflict threatens maritime security and energy supply chains as of March 25, 2026.
- Iran's decision to permit only "non-hostile vessels" through the Strait of Hormuz indicates a shift toward controlled maritime access.
- This is likely to result in heightened compliance requirements, voyage delays, and increased insurance premiums for commercial shipping.
- Israel Defense Forces strikes targeted strategic, intelligence, and military infrastructure across Iran, including locations in Isfahan and Tehran.
- Ongoing Iranian retaliatory missile and UAV launches reflect a deepening direct confrontation.
- Strikes impacted the Popular Mobilization Forces in Iraq and Hezbollah infrastructure in Beirut.
- Interceptions and strike impacts were recorded across Bahrain, Kuwait, and Lebanon.
- QatarEnergy announced force majeure on some long-term LNG supply contracts, including for customers in Italy, Belgium, South Korea, and China.
- An Iranian missile strike on the Ras Laffan facility eliminated an estimated 17 percent of Qatar's LNG export capacity.
- Structural damage at Ras Laffan may take years to repair.

