

Middle East Situation

Intelligence Cut-Off: 0730h, 15 March 2026

Executive Summary

Iran fired drones at several Gulf countries overnight, but no injuries have been confirmed so far.

Unconfirmed reports claim that Israel is facing a shortage of missile interceptors, but interception rates remain high and these claims cannot be independently verified.

Airport authorities have directed Air India to cancel most flights to Dubai International Airport and Abu Dhabi Zayed International Airport today. The reason is unclear, but the airspace faces restrictions and congestion; departures by other carriers have continued.

Iran

Bombardments continued overnight and into this morning, including in Isfahan, Shiraz and Tehran. In the last 24 hours, strikes in Isfahan have killed 15 factory workers.

President Trump has said that Iran has reached out to negotiate but that the US is not ready to do so "because the terms are not good enough yet".

Israel

Iran has fired at least six waves of missiles overnight. At least 108 people have been taken to hospital in the last 24 hours, two are in moderate condition and the remainder are in good condition.

Iranian missiles and Hezbollah rocket fire have since midnight (local time) triggered sirens in northern, central and southern Israel including Haifa, Jerusalem, Eilat and Tel Aviv; two people suffered minor injuries in Holon, Tel Aviv.

International media have warned that Israel is running low on ballistic missile interceptors. The claims cannot be independently verified, and current interception rates appear to remain high.

Despite high apparent rates of interception, there have been reports that some Israeli localities did not receive any alerts in advance of this morning's attacks.

Regional

Saudi Arabia

Several waves of drone attacks have been intercepted overnight in Riyadh, Eastern Province and the Al-Kharj Governorate. No injuries or damage have been confirmed.

United Arab Emirates

Interceptions were reported this morning at 0630h (local time), but no injuries or damages have been confirmed.

The Iranian foreign minister accused the UAE this morning of being a staging ground for the recent US attacks on Kharg Island. Emirati authorities have rejected the accusation and denied involvement.

Overnight, the Iranian military threatened to target ports, docks and "American hideouts" in the country and advised civilians to evacuate those areas.

Bahrain

Sirens were triggered at 0630h this morning and 2230h (local time) yesterday evening. No injuries or damage were confirmed by authorities.

Authorities announced yesterday evening that six people have been arrested for posting videos showing Iranian attacks.

Kuwait

Five drones have been intercepted in the last 24 hours, but no injuries or damages have been confirmed.

Lebanon

An Israeli airstrike on a residential building in Sidon killed one person overnight. The Lebanese Ministry of Health has said this morning that Israeli attacks in Sidon, al-Qatrani and Nabatieh have killed 14 people.

Iraq

The US Embassy in Iraq has released an alert saying that US citizens should leave Iraq now, citing Iranian militant groups with the intent and capability to conduct indiscriminate attacks on US citizens and locations affiliated with the US.

Authorities have halted operations at the Lanaz refinery following a drone attack yesterday evening. The measure appears to be temporary, so that authorities can assess damages.

Jordan

Sirens have been triggered this morning in Aqaba, but no injuries or damage have been reported so far. Interceptions were also reported in Irbid.

Travel

Aviation

IndiGo has suspended services to Dubai, Doha, Kuwait, Bahrain, Dammam, Fujairah, Ras Al Khaimah and Sharjah until 28 March.

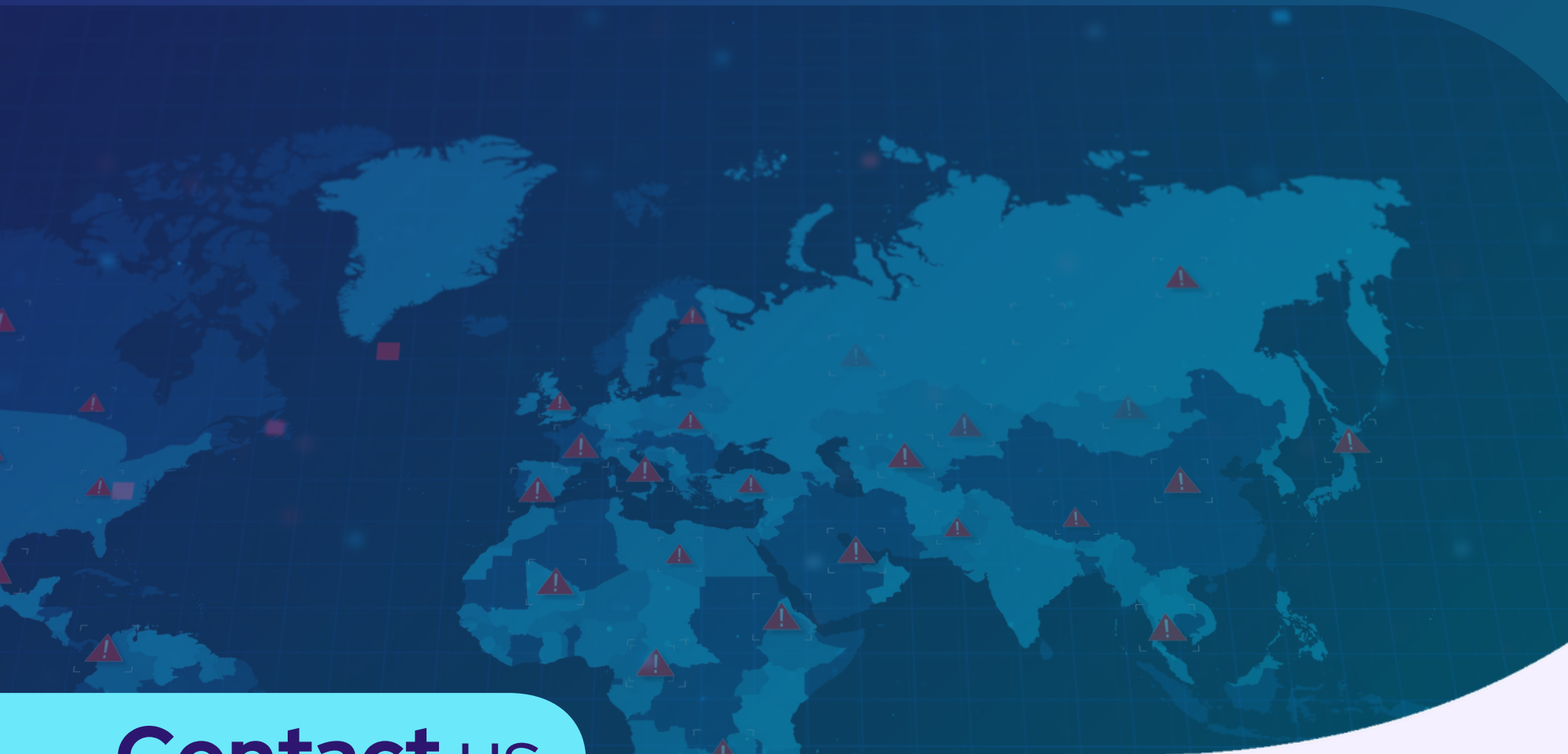
Airport authorities have directed Air India to cancel 14 flights to the UAE today; most services to Dubai International Airport and Abu Dhabi Zayed International Airport have been impacted. The cause of the measure is unclear, but airspace restrictions remain strict and subject to congestion. Other carriers do not appear to be impacted.

Bahrain has reduced airspace restrictions, but services must transit a specific route and receive prior authorisation. No departures or arrivals have been confirmed by Bahrain International Airport today.

Drones struck Kuwait International Airport last night, impacting the radar system. No injuries have been reported; the airspace was already closed.

Advice

- Do not travel to the Middle East.
- Avoid all travel within the region unless safe travel can be guaranteed.
- Shelter in place in a secure location.
- Follow instructions from local authorities and any national embassy guidelines.
- Monitor official updates and ensure phones are set up to receive alerts.
- Avoid any demonstrations or gatherings in the region.
- Globally, reconsider travel to any locations with links to Israel or Judaism.
- If you need further support, or wish to discuss options for evacuation, call NGS.



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