

## High and Extreme Severity Events - March 18, 2026

### Iran-US-Israel-Gulf Conflict

#### ISRAEL

- Color Red sirens sounded in multiple central areas including Tel Aviv and Jerusalem from 00:16 on March 17-18, 2026.
- The Israel Defense Forces attributed the sirens to missile launches from Iran.
- Two fatalities were confirmed in Ramat Gan following the overnight sirens.
- Four others were injured with damage reported in Petah Tikva, Bnei Brak, Rosh HaAyin, and Tel Aviv.
- Minor damage occurred to platforms at Tel Aviv Savidor Central Station from falling fragments.
- Israel Railways temporarily suspended train services with shuttle operations between Herzliya, Tel Aviv Savidor Central, and Ben Gurion Airport stations.

#### UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

- Air defense systems remained active nationwide during overnight hours on March 17-18, 2026.
- The Ministry of Defense confirmed interceptions of missiles and Unmanned Aerial Vehicles from Iran.
- Explosion sounds resulted from air defense systems intercepting incoming threats.

#### ISRAEL DEFENSE FORCES OPERATIONS

- The 36th Division deployed to Lebanon on March 17, 2026 to begin targeted operations.
- Operations aimed to enhance forward defensive positions in southern Lebanon.
- The deployment sought to expand buffer zones securing northern Israel.
- Defense Minister Israel Katz stated on March 16, 2026 that operations would continue until Hezbollah no longer posed threats to northern Israeli citizens.

#### HEZBOLLAH ACTIVITY

- The Israel Defense Forces warned of increased Hezbollah preparations to launch rocket barrages during afternoon hours on March 17, 2026.
- The Israel Defense Forces observed heightened activity indicating imminent attacks.
- Air defense systems and troops deployed on border areas remained on alert.

#### GULF MARITIME THREATS

- A commercial tanker was struck by an unidentified projectile approximately 43 km east of Fujairah Port on March 17, 2026.
- The incident caused minor damage with no casualties reported.
- The strike occurred near the eastern endpoint of the Abu Dhabi-Fujairah oil pipeline.

#### IRANIAN WARNINGS

- Iranian media issued warnings on March 17, 2026 urging individuals to avoid US-affiliated companies in Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates.
- Published maps identified US-linked companies including Honeywell, Halliburton, Baker Hughes, Oracle, and Lockheed Martin.
- The warnings preceded potential Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps targeting of these facilities.

