



## ISRAEL STRIKES: INTERNATIONAL RELATION

**NEWS:** Israeli airstrikes hit Yemen airport as passenger plane lands, UN official reports

### WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

The Middle East remains a hub of geopolitical conflicts, with Israel escalating its operations against Iran and its allies. Recently, Israel bombed Yemen's Sana'a airport, marking an intensification of its campaign against the Iran-backed Houthi group.

### Israel's Objectives

- Target the Houthis, seen as a key Iranian proxy, to curb Iran's regional influence.
- Safeguard maritime trade routes in the Red Sea, vital for global trade.

### Regional Impact

- **Maritime Trade Disruptions:** Houthi attacks on ships have affected traffic through the Suez Canal and strained Israel's Red Sea port.
- **Geopolitical Tensions:** Iran and its allies, with support from Russian intelligence, are responding aggressively to Israel's strikes.

### Houthis in Yemen

- The Houthis control northern Yemen and are a dominant force despite opposition from other factions.
- Their recruitment and resistance to international campaigns highlight their rising influence.

### Role in Iran's "Axis of Resistance"

- The Houthis are now a central player in Iran's proxy network, especially as Hezbollah and Hamas face challenges.
- Their coordination with other Shia militias strengthens their position in regional conflicts.

### Global Implications

- The conflict affects global trade, security in key maritime routes, and regional stability.
- Rising tensions could lead to broader conflicts involving international players.



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