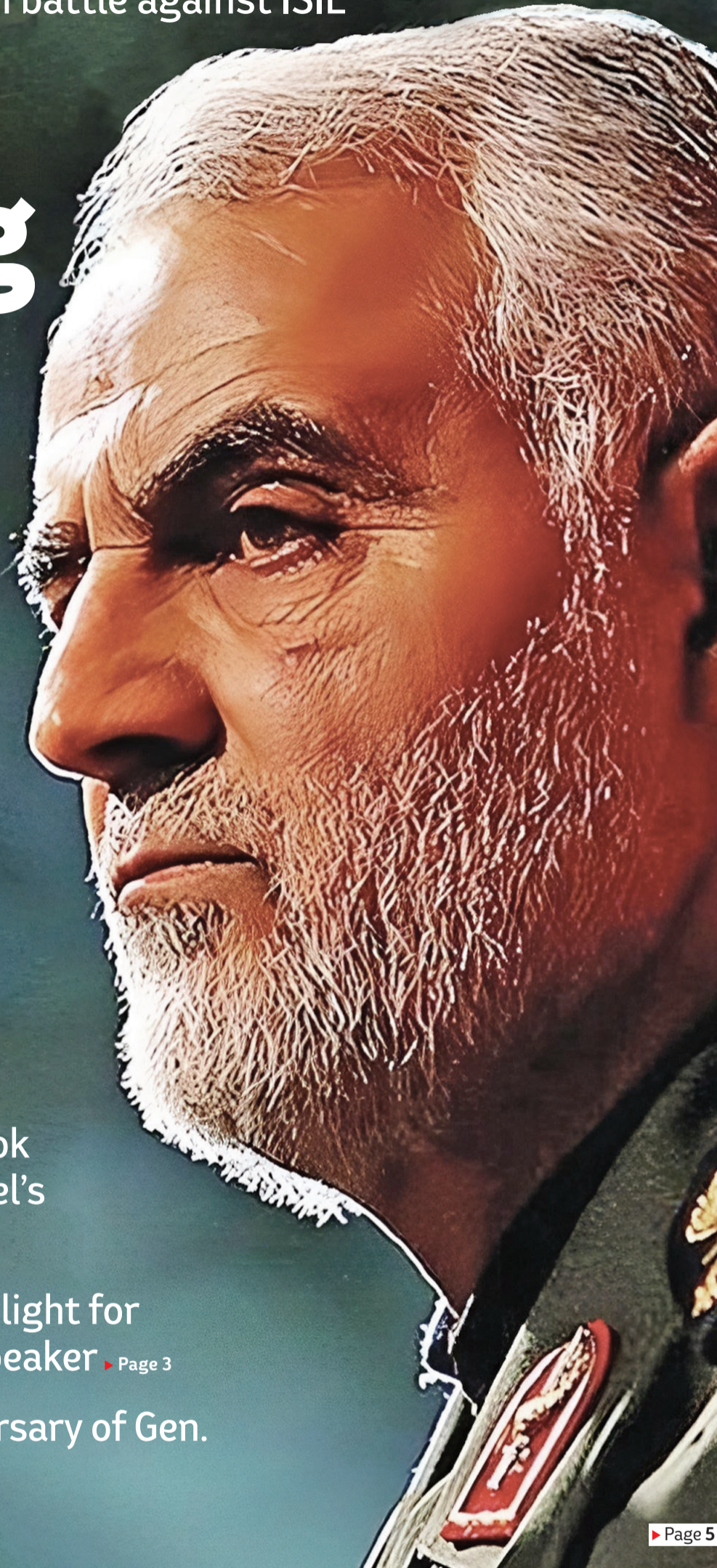


Iraqi PM hails martyr Gen. Soleimani and Abu Mahdi al-Muhandis for their role in battle against ISIL

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President Pezeshkian praises law enforcement forces as pillars of security, justice

TEHRAN – Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian has addressed graduates at the Imam Hassan Mojtaba Police University during their formal graduation ceremony, lauding their vital role in upholding law and order in Iran.

Speaking to the newly commissioned officers on Sunday, the President described them as “the fortresses, shields, and pride of our country,” underscoring their indispensable contribution to maintaining peace and security.

The ceremony featured a tactical demonstration by the graduates, showcasing their training and commitment.

President Pezeshkian referred to the teachings of Imam Ali, who emphasized the essential role of defense and security forces in society. “Imam Ali described security forces as the fortresses of the people, the adornment of governance, the source of a nation's dignity, and the foundation of peace. Without them, society cannot endure,” President Pezeshkian noted.

Addressing the graduates directly, the President underlined their critical responsibility to uphold justice ▶ Page 2

Yemen targets Israeli power plant

By Wesam Bahrani

TEHRAN – The Yemeni Armed Forces announced that their missile unit targeted the Israeli Orot Rabin power plant, south of Haifa with a hypersonic ballistic missile.

In a televised statement, the spokesperson for the Sanaa government's armed forces, Brigadier General Yahya Saree, confirmed that the operation successfully achieved its objective.

Saree noted that the hypersonic missile was the Yemeni-made Palestine 2.

He stated that the operation was carried out in response to the massacres in Gaza as part of the fifth phase of support in the battle of “The Promised Liberation and Sacred Battle,” and in retaliation for the Israeli aggression against Yemen.

Saree added that the Yemeni leadership, people, and army remain committed to fulfilling their religious, moral, and humanitarian obligations toward the oppressed Palestinian people. ▶ Page 5

China-Iran relations entering into stage of mutual political trust

By Dr. Jin Liangxiang

SHANGHAI – China-Iran relations have been developing in a steady way in the last decades. And the year 2024 particularly saw more frequent and more profound interactions between the two, which suggests that China-Iran relations are progressing toward a new high level of mutual political trust.

China-Iran relations are strongly founded, and the three mutual's should be particularly mentioned. The first should be the mutual appreciation of the civilization of the other side. China represents the civilization of East Asia while Iran represents the achievements of the human civilization of West Asia. The two have been learning from each other for more than two thousand years. The shared heritage of Karez is just one example of the mutual learning of the two. And the two have been interacting with each other peacefully along the ancient Silk Road.

The second should be mutual acknowledgment of the importance of the other side as a strategic actor. China is well aware that Iran is a great regional power with diligent and intelligent people. ▶ Page 2

Tehran hosts intl. conference on AI in health

TEHRAN – An international conference on artificial intelligence (AI) in the health sector was held from January 1-5 at Razi Conference Center in Tehran.

Currently, artificial intelligence plays a key role in prevention, early detection of the diseases as well as the development of personalized treatment by analyzing data and comparing the results, IRIB reported.

Statistics have shown noticeable cost saving, about 40 percent, using artificial intelligence in health in advanced countries. In some specific case, like breast or lung cancers, artificial intelligence can lower healthcare costs by 80 percent, hence knowledge-based economy should aim to utilize AI to save healthcare costs, IRIB quoted Mostafa Qaemi, the secretary of the Biology Development Headquarters, as saying. ▶ Page 7



Pezeshkian lauds Razi Institute for scientific achievements

TEHRAN – President Masoud Pezeshkian has congratulated the 100th anniversary of Razi Vaccine and Serum Research Institute establishment, highlighting that the institute, as a reliable scientific center, has played a pivotal role in developing needed vaccines in the country.

The production of various vaccines for livestock and poultry, seven vaccines for the human vaccination portfolio, and the development of the first injectable-inhalation vaccine for Covid-19 in the world are only parts of the valuable services of the institution, which is a source of pride for any Iranian, ISNA quoted Pezeshkian as saying.

Razi Vaccine and Serum Research Institute has a wide range of pharmaceutical products that can flourish the health economy and lead to further development of non-oil exports by selling various biological products to regional countries. It has recently established a research and development center for the new generation of recombinant vaccines. ▶ Page 7