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# Iran's president and foreign minister die in helicopter crash at moment of high tensions in Mideast

The Associated Press' news director for the Gulf and Iran, Jon Gambrell, explains tensions facing Iran after a helicopter crash killed its president. (AP video shot by Bassam Hatoum)

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DUBAI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Iranian [President Ebrahim Raisi](#) and the country's foreign minister were found dead Monday hours after their helicopter crashed in fog, leaving the Islamic Republic without two key leaders as extraordinary tensions grip the wider Middle East.

Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, who has the final say in the Shiite theocracy, quickly named a little-known vice president as caretaker and insisted the government was in control, but the deaths mark yet another blow to a country beset by pressures both at home and abroad.

## Apparent helicopter crash carrying Iran's president, foreign minister

A Turkish drone suggested the crash site was on the side of a mountain in northwest Iran.

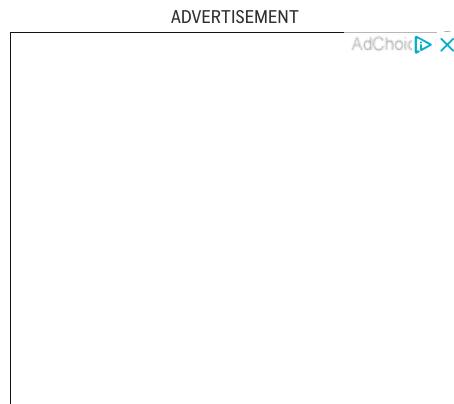


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Iran has offered no cause for the crash nor suggested sabotage brought down the helicopter, which fell in mountainous terrain in a sudden, intense fog.

In Tehran, Iran's capital, businesses were open and children attended school Monday. However, there was a noticeable presence of both uniformed and plainclothes security forces downtown.



The crash comes as the [Israel-Hamas war](#) roils the region. Iran-backed Hamas led the attack that started the conflict, and Hezbollah, also supported by Tehran, has fired rockets at Israel. Last month, Iran launched its own an [unprecedented drone-and-missile attack](#) on Israel.

### What to know:

- **The crash:** Follow AP's [live coverage of the helicopter crash](#) in which Iran's president and foreign minister were found dead.
- **Ebrahim Raisi:** [Iran's hard-line president](#) has long been seen as a protégé to Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei.
- **Hossein Amirabdollahian:** The foreign minister represented the [hard-line shift](#) after the collapse of Tehran's nuclear deal with world powers.
- **International reaction:** Countries including [Russia, Iraq and Qatar have made formal statements of concern](#) about Raisi's fate.



In this photo provided by Moj News Agency, rescue teams are seen near the site of the incident of the helicopter carrying Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi in Varzaghan in northwestern Iran, Sunday, May 19, 2024. (Azin Haghghi, Moj News Agency via AP)



In this photo provided by Islamic Republic News Agency, IRNA, the helicopter carrying Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi takes off at the Iranian border with Azerbaijan after President Raisi and his Azeri counterpart Ilham Aliyev inaugurated dam of Qiz Qalasi, or Castel of Girl in Azeri, Iran, Sunday, May 19, 2024. (Ali Hamed Haghdoust/IRNA via AP)

A [hard-liner who formerly led the country's judiciary](#), Raisi was viewed as a protege of Khamenei. During his tenure, relations have also continued to deteriorate with the West as Iran enriched uranium closer than ever to weapons-grade levels and supplied bomb-carrying drones to [Russia for its war in Ukraine](#).

His government has also faced years of [mass protests](#) over the ailing economy and women's rights — making the moment that much more sensitive.

The crash killed all eight people aboard a Bell helicopter, which Iran purchased in the early 2000s, according to the state-run IRNA news agency reported. Among the dead were Iranian [Foreign Minister Hossein Amirabdollahian](#), the governor of Iran's East Azerbaijan province, a senior cleric from Tabriz, a Revolutionary Guard official, and three crew members, IRNA said.

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Iran has flown Bell helicopters extensively since the shah's era. But aircraft in Iran face a shortage of parts, in part because of Western sanctions, and often fly without safety checks. Against that backdrop, former Iranian Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif sought to blame the United States for the crash in an interview Monday.

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"One of the main culprits of yesterday's tragedy is the United States, which ... embargoed the sale of aircraft and aviation parts to Iran and does not allow the people of Iran to enjoy good aviation facilities," Zarif said. "These will be recorded in the list of U.S. crimes against the Iranian people."

State TV gave no immediate cause for [the crash that occurred](#) in Iran's East Azerbaijan province. Footage released by IRNA early Monday showed what the agency described as the crash site, across a steep valley in a green mountain range.

The U.S. has yet to comment publicly on Raisi's death. Ali Bagheri Kani, a nuclear negotiator for Iran, will serve as the country's acting foreign minister, state TV said.



Condolences [poured in](#) from neighbors and allies after Iran confirmed there were no survivors from the crash. Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi said in a post on the social media platform X that his country "stands with Iran in this time of sorrow." Russian President Vladimir Putin, in a statement released by the Kremlin, described Raisi "as a true friend of Russia."

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, China's Xi Jinping and Syrian President Bashar Assad also offered condolences. Azerbaijan's president, Ilham Aliyev, said he and his government were "deeply shocked." Raisi, 63, was returning Sunday from Iran's border with Azerbaijan, where he inaugurated a dam with Aliyev when the crash happened.

The death also stunned Iranians, and Khamenei declared five days of public mourning. But many have been ground down by the collapse of the country's rial currency and worries about regional conflicts spinning out of control with Israel or even with Pakistan, which Iran exchanged fire with this year as well.

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Khamenei stressed the business of Iran's government would continue no matter what — but Raisi's death raised the specter of what will happen after the 85-year-old supreme leader either resigns or dies. Final say in all matters of state rest with his office and only two men have held the position since the 1979 Islamic Revolution.

Raisi had been discussed as one possible contender for the role. The only other person so far suggested has been Khamenei's 55-year-old son, Mojtaba. However, some have raised concerns over the position going to a family member, particularly after the revolution overthrew the hereditary Pahlavi monarchy of the shah.

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For now, Khamenei has named the first vice president, Mohammad Mokhber, as caretaker, in line with the constitution, which says a new presidential election should be called within 50 days.

Mokhber had already begun receiving calls from officials and foreign governments in Raisi's absence, state media reported.

An emergency meeting of Iran's Cabinet was held as state media made the announcement Monday morning. The Cabinet issued a statement afterward pledging it

would follow Raisi's path and that "with the help of God and the people, there will be no problem with management of the country."

Raisi [won Iran's 2021 presidential election](#), a vote that saw the lowest turnout in the Islamic Republic's history. He was sanctioned by the U.S. in part over his involvement in the mass execution of thousands of political prisoners in 1988 at the end of the bloody Iran-Iraq war.

Under Raisi, Iran now enriches uranium at nearly weapons-grade levels and hampers international inspections. Iran has armed Russia in its war on Ukraine, as well as launched a massive drone-and-missile attack on Israel amid its war against Hamas in the Gaza Strip. It also has continued arming proxy groups in the Mideast, like Yemen's Houthi rebels and Lebanon's Hezbollah.

Meanwhile, mass protests in the country have raged for years. The most recent involved the 2022 death of [Mahsa Amini](#), a woman who had been earlier detained over her allegedly loose headscarf, or hijab. The monthslong security crackdown that followed the demonstrations killed more than 500 people and saw over 22,000 detained.

In March, a United Nations investigative panel found that Iran was responsible for the "physical violence" that led to Amini's death.

Raisi is the second Iranian president to die in office. In 1981, a bomb blast killed President Mohammad Ali Rajai in the chaotic days after the country's Islamic Revolution.

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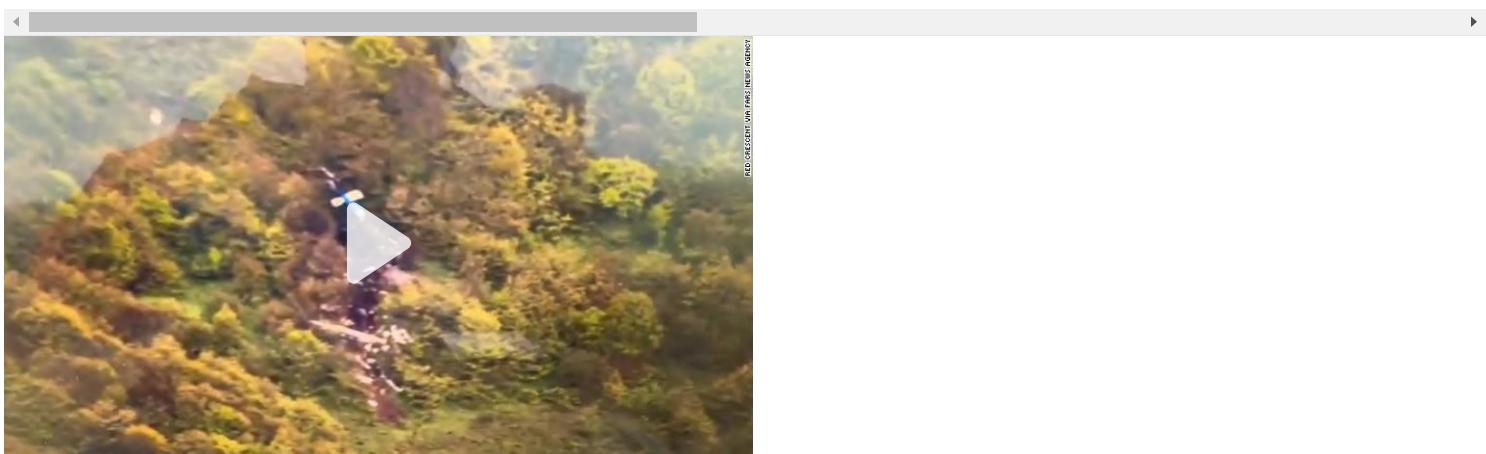
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## Iran's President Raisi killed in helicopter crash

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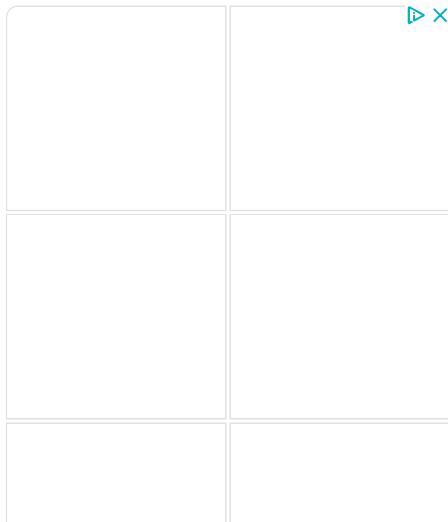
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### What we're covering

- Iran's President Ebrahim Raisi **has died** in a helicopter crash at age 63, the government confirmed. The country's foreign minister and seven others were killed after the crash in a remote, mountainous area of Iran's northwest.
- Raisi was the second-most powerful person in the Islamic Republic after Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. Iran's **First Vice President** Mohammad Mokhber is now acting president, and **top negotiator Ali Bagheri Kani** has been appointed acting foreign minister.
- The president's death comes at a **fraught moment in the Middle East**, just weeks after **Iran launched a drone and missile attack** on Israel in response to a deadly strike on its diplomatic compound in Damascus.
- Hardliner Raisi became president in a historically uncompetitive election in 2021. He has overseen **intensified repression of dissent** in a nation convulsed by youth-led protests against clerical rule.



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## Body of President Raisi to be moved to city of Mashhad on Tuesday

From CNN's Adam Pourahmadi

The body of Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi and the other victims of Sunday's helicopter crash will be transferred on Tuesday from Tabriz to the northeastern city of Mashhad, where Raisi was born, according to Fars news.

A large public ceremony is scheduled to take place at a prayer hall in Tabriz at 4 p.m. local time on Monday, Fars news reported.

At 9 a.m. local time on Tuesday, a large procession will accompany the bodies of Raisi and the other victims from Tabriz Martyr's Square to the city's airport. From there, the bodies will be moved to Mashhad, according to Fars.

Raisi was born in Mashhad in 1960. He ran the powerful charity known as Astan-e Quds-e Razavi, which manages the huge Imam Reza shrine, a major Islamic holy site in the city.



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## Iran's president has died. Here's what we know about what comes next

From CNN Staff



Iran's President Ebrahim Raisi at Saadabad Cultural & Historical Complex in Tehran, Iran, on April 29, 2023. Sakineh Salimi/Borna News/Aksonline ATPImages/Getty Images

Iran's President Ebrahim Raisi was confirmed dead by state media on Monday morning, after a helicopter he was traveling in alongside Foreign Minister Hossein Amir-Abdollahian, and seven others crashed in foggy conditions in the country's remote northwest on Sunday.

*Here's what to know now:*

**Acting president:** In the wake of Raisi's death, Vice President Mohammad Mokhber has been [appointed as acting president](#).

**Acting foreign minister:** Ali Bagheri Kani, who has led Iranian delegations through indirect negotiations with the United States over nuclear issues and prisoner exchanges, has been [appointed acting foreign minister](#) after the death of [Amir-Abdollahian](#), state news agency IRNA reported.

**New elections:** The Iranian constitution mandates that the three heads of the branches of government, including the vice president, speaker of the parliament, and head of the judiciary, must arrange for an election and elect a new leader within 50 days of assuming the role of acting President. Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei said in a message to state news agencies that Mokhber was responsible for organizing [elections for a new president](#) within that time.

**Public mourning:** Ayatollah Khamenei has announced [five days of public mourning](#) after the crash, and expressed his condolences. [All cultural and arts activities](#) have been canceled in Iran for the next seven days.

**Global reaction:** The loss of Raisi — a conservative hardliner and protege of Ayatollah Khamenei — is expected to sow further uncertainty in a country already buckling under significant economic and political strain, with tensions with nearby Israel at a dangerous high. His death has already triggered international reaction with [Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, India and the UAE](#) leader expressing their condolences for his death. Lebanon has [declared three days of mourning](#).

**Militias respond:** Iran-backed militant groups [Hamas, the Houthis, and Hezbollah](#) have sent condolences to Tehran over the death of Raisi.

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near the village of Uzi, in Iran's East Azerbaijan Province on Sunday, May 19. The helicopter was on its way to Tabriz, returning from a ceremony to open a dam on Iran's border with Azerbaijan. Eight other people were on board.



*Correction: A previous version on this graphic misstated the date of the incident.*

Sources: CNN, Iranian news agencies IRNA and Tasnim  
Graphic: Henrik Pettersson, CNN

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## Iran cancels all cultural and arts activities for seven days

From Negar Mahmoodi

All cultural and arts activities in Iran will be suspended for seven days following the death of President Ebrahim Raisi, the Ministry of Culture announced on Monday.

Raisi died in a helicopter crash at age 63.

The country's foreign minister and seven others were also killed after the crash in a remote, mountainous area of Iran's northwest.

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**Judiciary branches**

From Alireza Hajihosseini



Iran's First Vice President Mohammad Mokhber speaks during Iran's government cabinet in Tehran, Iran, on May 20. Iran's Presidency/WANA/Reuters

Iran's acting president Mohammad Mokhber held an "extraordinary meeting" on Monday with the heads of the legislative and judicial branches following the announcement of President Ebrahim Raisi's death, according to Iranian state media.

Mokhber spoke with Iranian Parliament Speaker Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf and Hujjat al-Islam Gholam-Hossein Mohseni-Eje'i, the head of Iran's Judiciary, according to Iran's semi-official Tasnim News.

The three expressed their condolences and reaffirmed the three branches of government will continue its duties to the nation "without any interruption," Tasnim reported.



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## **Iran appoints top negotiator Ali Bagheri Kani as acting foreign minister, state media reports**

From CNN's Mostafa Salem



Iran's Chief Nuclear Negotiator Ali Bagheri Kani leaves the Palais Coburg in Vienna, Austria, on August 4, 2022. Lisa Leutner/Reuters

Ali Bagheri Kani, who has led Iranian delegations through indirect negotiations with the United States over nuclear issues and prisoner exchanges, has been appointed acting foreign minister after the death of **Hossein Amir-Abdollahian**, state news agency IRNA reported.

Amir-Abdollahian was among the nine people killed in a helicopter crash in Iran's remote northwestern mountainous region on Sunday, along with Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi.

"Following the martyrdom of Hussein Amir Abdollahian, the Foreign Minister of our country, with the approval of the Cabinet Board, Ali Bagheri, the Deputy Foreign Minister of Foreign Affairs, was appointed as the acting minister of the ministry," state news agency IRNA said.

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## Iran's supreme leader announces five days of mourning for those killed in helicopter crash

From CNN's Alireza Hajhosseini

Iranian Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei announced five days of public mourning after a helicopter crash killed President Ebrahim Raisi, the country's foreign minister, and seven others.

In a message carried by Iran's state news agencies, Khamenei expressed his condolences over the deaths and confirmed Iran's first Vice President Mohammad Mokhber is now managing the executive branch.

"He is obliged to arrange with the heads of the legislative and judicial branches to elect a new president within a maximum of fifty days."

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## Putin says Raisi was "a true friend of Russia"

From CNN's Seb Shukla and Anna Chernova



Russian President Vladimir Putin, left, shakes hands with Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi during a meeting in Moscow, Russia, on December 7, 2023. Sergei Bobylev/Sputnik/Reuters

Russian President Vladimir Putin described Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi as an "outstanding politician" and said his death was an "irreparable loss," according to a [statement](#) from the Kremlin.

"As a true friend of Russia, he made an invaluable personal contribution to the development of good neighborly relations between our countries and made great efforts to bring them to the level of strategic partnership," Putin said.

Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov described Raisi and Iranian Foreign Minister Hossein Amir-Abdollahian as "true, reliable friends of our country" and added that it was "deeply saddened" by their deaths.

"Their role in strengthening mutually beneficial Russian-Iranian cooperation and trusting partnership is invaluable. We sincerely condole with the families and friends of the victims, as well as with all the friendly people of Iran," Lavrov said.



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## "A great loss for the Iranian nation," says spokesperson for Iran's Guardian Council

From CNN's Alex Stambough



People pray for the well-being of Iran's President Ebrahim Raisi following the crash of a helicopter carrying him, in Tehran, Iran, on May 19. Majid Asgaripour/WANA/Reuters

The spokesperson for Iran's Guardian Council – a powerful 12-member council in charge of overseeing elections and legislation – has called the death of President Ebrahim Raisi "a great loss for the Iranian nation."

Spokesman Hadi Tahan Nazif said that while Iran is facing a tragedy with the death of its president, Iran's constitution has foreseen the necessary measures for this situation.

"Just as the leader of the Islamic Republic stated, the affairs of the country will not be disrupted," Nazif told Iranian state news agency Press TV.

Iranian constitution mandates that the three heads of the branches of government, including the vice president, speaker of the parliament, and head of the judiciary, must arrange for an election and elect a new leader within 50 days of assuming the role of acting President.

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## It will “not be very difficult” to fill the gap after Raisi’s death, analyst says

From CNN staff



Meir Javedanfar walks near his home in Tel Aviv on April 21, 2006. Gil Cohen Magen/Reuters/File

It will “not be very difficult” to fill the gap after Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi’s death, a Tel Aviv-based analyst told CNN.

“President Raisi was not a very successful president in terms of the economy,” Meir Javedanfar, director of Middle East Economic and Political Analysis Company, told CNN.

“In Iran, the president’s hands are usually tied because although they have a lot of responsibility, the authority to carry out things really remains in the hands of the supreme leader.”

He added that Raisi “was not somebody with a background in security,” nor someone “with a background in Iran’s bureaucracy.”

“He was a chief for the judiciary. He cut his teeth in the judiciary system of the Islamic Republic. And he was not a man of vision. He was not a charismatic politician who came to change things,” Javedanfar said.

“The economy which he was supposed to manage actually got worse under President Raisi.”

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## Trovato il relitto dell'elicottero di Raisi, la Mezzaluna rossa: tutti morti i passeggeri

Il velivolo sarebbe precipitato pare per le cattive condizioni meteo in una zona impervia nell'Azerbaigian orientale

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**L**a tv di Stato iraniano ha dato la notizia ufficiale della morte del presidente Ebrahim Raisi, definendolo "martire del servizio" e precisando che saranno resi noti il luogo e l'ora della cerimonia funebre.

La Mezzaluna rossa iraniana afferma che tutti i passeggeri dell'elicottero del presidente Ebrahim Raisi sono morti, come riporta l'agenzia di stampa russa Tass.

Le autorità iraniane stanno identificando i corpi carbonizzati dei passeggeri. Tra le vittime ci sono le guardie del corpo del presidente, il generale Mehdi

Mousavi, un membro della base Ansar al-Mahdi delle Guardie rivoluzionarie, il pilota, il copilota e il tecnico di volo.

A bordo dell'elicottero c'erano anche il ministro degli Esteri Hossein Amirabdollahian, il governatore della provincia dell'Azerbaigian orientale Malek Rahmati e il leader della preghiera del venerdì di Tabriz Mohammadali Al-Hashem.

Il "relitto" è stato trovato sulla strada per il villaggio iraniano di Khoilar-Kalam, afferma il capo della Mezzaluna rossa locale Pir Hossein Koolivand. Le squadre di ricerca hanno trovato parti dell'ala e della pala del velivolo su una collina e si sono mosse verso il posto.

L'agenzia di stampa statale turca Anadolu e quella iraniana Fars affermano che **un drone Akinci fornito da Ankara ha rilevato una "fonte di calore" in una zona dell'Azerbaigian orientale** e che sul posto sono state immediatamente inviate le squadre di soccorso. La Mezzaluna rossa iraniana ha inviato nella zona 73 squadre di soccorso, compresi cani da rilevamento, che hanno operato in condizioni meteorologiche difficili, con pioggia e nebbia che riducono la visibilità.

Il luogo dell'incidente sarebbe a circa 100 chilometri da Tabriz, vicino a un villaggio chiamato Tavil, in una remota zona montuosa dell'Azerbaigian.

Anche il presidente russo, **Vladimir Putin**, ha ordinato l'invio di due aerei, un elicottero e 50 uomini dalla Russia per cercare l'elicottero.

Con un messaggio diretto agli amici, ma soprattutto ai nemici a partire da Israele, l'Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, guida suprema del paese, ha assicurato che non ci saranno vuoti di potere. E il governo iraniano ha annunciato che continuerà ad operare "senza interruzioni" dopo la morte del presidente Raisi.

"Il presidente del popolo iraniano, laborioso e instancabile..., ha sacrificato la sua vita per la nazione", si legge in un comunicato del governo. "Assicuriamo alla nazione leale che, con l'aiuto di Dio e il sostegno del popolo, non ci sarà la minima interruzione nell'amministrazione del Paese", aggiunge la nota.

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Il convoglio presidenziale di tre elicotteri era partito dall'Azerbaigian dopo una visita di Raisi all'omologo Iham Aliyev, con cui aveva inaugurato una diga. Le prime notizie, arrivate dai media iraniani, hanno riferito di un "incidente",

ma senza chiarire se l'elicottero coinvolto fosse quello di Raisi. Il seguito è stato un susseguirsi caotico di aggiornamenti, spesso contraddittori.

**"Raisi non è ferito, è ripartito a bordo di un'auto", la prima versione dell'agenzia iraniana Mehr, che poi ha cancellato la notizia. Il primo resoconto ufficiale è arrivato dal ministro dell'interno Ahmad Vahidi, che ha confermato lo schianto ("il duro atterraggio") dell'elicottero con Raisi, il ministro degli Esteri, il governatore della provincia e il principale imam della regione, "a causa delle cattive condizioni meteorologiche". E soprattutto ha fatto capire che l'allarme era reale, tanto più che la nebbia ostacolava l'arrivo dei soccorritori sul posto. Nel frattempo, gli altri due elicotteri del convoglio sono arrivati a destinazione.**

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L'Ue, su richiesta di Teheran, ha attivato il sistema satellitare Copernicus. Altri Paesi, come Arabia Saudita, Russia e Turchia, hanno offerto assistenza. Anche la Casa Bianca ha seguito l'evoluzione della crisi, mentre da Roma Giorgia Meloni ha convocato per una riunione con i ministri competenti e l'intelligence. Alcuni membri del governo iraniano si sono spostati a Tabriz, la città dove Raisi sarebbe dovuto arrivare, per seguire più da vicino l'evolversi della situazione.

#### Video

**Iran, incidente in elicottero per Raisi: giallo sul presidente**



Folle di fedeli, immortalate dalla televisione, hanno recitato preghiere nel sacro Santuario dell'Imam Reza nella città di Mashhad, città natale di Raisi. Con il passare delle ore si sono ridotte le speranze. Un funzionario iraniano in condizioni di anonimato ha detto alla Reuters che "le informazioni provenienti dal luogo dell'incidente sono molto preoccupanti", e che la vita di Raisi e del ministro Amirabdollahian "è a rischio".

Media israeliani, che naturalmente seguono con grande interesse la vicenda dell'acerrimo nemico, hanno citato fonti diplomatiche in Occidente, secondo cui Raisi non sarebbe sopravvissuto. **A un certo punto si è riaperto un filo di speranza: il vicepresidente esecutivo iraniano Mohsen Mansouri ha parlato di un contatto con uno dei passeggeri e un membro dell'equipaggio del velivolo precipitato, affermando: "Sembra che l'incidente non sia stato molto grave".** Poi, però si è tornati di nuovo nell'incertezza, tra annunci e smentite del ritrovamento dell'elicottero.

Eletto presidente della Repubblica islamica nel 2021, l'ultraconservatore 63enne Raisi ha preso le redini di un Paese in preda ad una profonda crisi sociale e ad un'economia messa a dura prova dalle sanzioni statunitensi contro Teheran per il suo contestato programma nucleare. Delfino della Guida suprema e in pole position per la successione, si è dimostrato un intransigente nemico di Israele e degli Stati Uniti, arrivando al massimo livello di scontro con lo Stato ebraico, culminato con il primo attacco iraniano condotto in territorio nemico, sullo sfondo della guerra a Gaza. Con la sua morte, nonostante le rassicurazioni di Khamenei sulla tenuta del sistema, si aprirebbe una fase di turbolenza nel Paese che potrà condizionare i già fragilissimi equilibri del Medio Oriente.

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#### **In caso di morte la presidenza dell'Iran va al vice - Notizie - Ansa.it**

In caso di morte improvvisa del presidente, la Costituzione iraniana prevede che il primo vicepresidente - che ora è Mohammad Mokhber - assuma l'incarico di presidente, con l'approvazione del leader supremo. (ANSA)



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### واکنش کشورهای همسایه ایران به کشته شدن ابراهیم رئیسی



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### واکنش‌ها به «کشته شدن ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش» در شبکه‌های اجتماعی



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۱ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ نور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۲:۳۴

### سیاستمداران افغانستان جان باختن ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش را تسلیت گفتند

برخی از رهبران احزاب و چهره‌های سیاسی افغانستان، در بیانیه‌های جداگانه جان باختن ابراهیم رئیسی، رئیس جمهور ایران و هیات همراهش را تسلیت گفتند.

طالبان و جبهات نظامی مخالف این گروه در پیام‌های جداگانه با مردم ایران ابراز همدردی کردند.

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## ۲ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۱:۲۴

### خانواده‌های قربانیان جمهوری اسلامی: رئیسی با مرگش از محکمه گریخت

در پی کشته شدن رئیس‌جمهور ایران و همراهانش، خانواده‌های دادخواه قربانیان جمهوری اسلامی در پیام‌هایی از ابراهیم رئیسی به عنوان «یکی از مهم‌ترین ناقضان حقوق بشر» در این کشور نام برداشتند.

آنان تاکید کردند که رئیسی با مرگش از محکمه گریخت.

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## ۲ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۰:۵۳

### عراق عزای عمومی یک‌روزه اعلام کرد

دولت عراق در واکنش به خبر مرگ ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش، یک روز عزای عمومی در این کشور اعلام کرد.

پیش از این، سوریه و لبنان هر کدام سه روز و پاکستان برای یک روز عزای عمومی اعلام کردند.

## ۲ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۰:۴۸

### لحظه اعلام خبر مرگ رئیسی در زیارت امام رضا

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## ۲ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۰:۲۲

## یک مقام جمهوری اسلامی: اجساد همه سرنشیان چرخبال سوخته است

محمدحسن نامی، رئیس سازمان مدیریت بحران در ایران اعلام کرد اجساد همه سرنشیان چرخبال حامل ابراهیم رئیسی سوخته است.

آقای نامی گفت همه اجساد کاملاً قابل شناسایی بودند و برای همین نیازی به انجام آزمایش دی‌ان‌ای نیست.

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۳ ساعت پیش . ۱۴۰۳ ثور ۱۰:۱۳

## احمد مسعود: مردم افغانستان در چنین شرایط دشوار در کنار ملت بزرگ ایران قرار دارد

احمد مسعود، رهبر جبهه مقاومت ملی افغانستان می‌گوید «مردم افغانستان در چنین شرایط دشوار و غم انگیز در کنار دولت و ملت بزرگ ایران قرار دارد.»

مسعود در پیامی در واکنش به جانباختن رئیس‌جمهور ایران و همراهانش، با مردم و دولت ایران ابراز همدردی کرد.

۴ ساعت پیش . ۱۴۰۳ ثور ۰۹:۳۹

## جزئیات مرگ رئیس‌جمهور ایران در گزارشی از نصیر بهزاد، خبرنگار افغانستان اینترنشنال



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۲۰۲۴ مه ۲۰:۴۸ قبل از ظهر

۶۵ هم‌رسانی پاسخ

خواندن ۲ پاسخ

۱۴ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۹:۳۷

## کشته شدگان مقامهای جمهوری اسلامی در سقوط چرخبال در آذربایجان شرقی کی‌ها بودند؟



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۱۴ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۹:۳۶

## واکنش‌ها به مرگ ابراهیم رئیسی

## ۱۴ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۹:۲۱

### سوریه سه روز عزای عمومی اعلام کرد

دولت سوریه برای مرگ ابراهیم رئیسی و حسین امیرعبداللهیان، سه روز عزای عمومی در این کشور اعلام کرد.

سوریه گفت پرچم‌هایش در سراسر کشور، سفارتخانه‌ها و نمایندگی‌های دیپلماتیک در خارج به صورت نیمه افراسته در خواهد آمد.

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## ۱۴ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۹:۱۲

### علی باقری‌کنی، سرپرست وزارت امور خارجه ایران شد

در پی مرگ حسین امیرعبداللهیان در سانحه سقوط چرخبال، علی باقری‌کنی با تصویب هیات دولت جمهوری اسلامی، سرپرست وزارت امور خارجه ایران شد.

علی باقری‌کنی پیش از این، معاون سیاسی وزارت امور خارجه بود.

## ۱۴ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۹:۰۸

### اجساد ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش در حال انتقال به تبریز است

یک مقام استانداری آذربایجان شرقی اعلام کرد مراسم تشییع ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش روز سه‌شنبه، اول جوزا، در تبریز برگزار می‌شود.

حسین حقیقیان گفت اجساد کشته شدگان چرخبال سانحه دیده در منطقه ورزقان در حال اعزام به تبریز است تا به پزشکی قانونی منتقل شوند.

۵ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۸:۱۶

## رئیس‌وزیر افغانستان می‌گوید از جان باختن ابراهیم رئیسی عمیقاً غمگین و متأثر است

محمد حسن آخند، رئیس‌وزیر افغانستان با صدور اعلامیه‌ای کشته شدن ابراهیم رئیسی، رئیس‌جمهور ایران و همراهانش در سانحه سقوط چرخبال را تسلیت گفت.

ملا حسن آخند گفته حکومت طالبان «بخاطر این رویداد المناک عمیقاً غمگین و متأثر است.»

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۵ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۸:۱۳

## خامنه‌ای پنج روز عزای عمومی اعلام کرد

علی خامنه‌ای، رهبر جمهوری اسلامی با انتشار پیام، پنج روز عزای عمومی در ایران اعلام کرد.

آقای خامنه‌ای در بخشی از این پیام گفت محمد مخبر طبق اصل ۱۳۱ قانون اساسی در مقام مدیریت قوه مجریه قرار می‌گیرد.

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۵ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۸:۲۱

## جواد ظریف: امریکا یکی از مقصراں اصلی سقوط چرخبال ابراهیم رئیسی است

وزیر امور خارجه سابق جمهوری اسلامی امریکا یکی از مقصراں کشته شدن ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهان او در سانحه سقوط چرخبال است.

جواد ظریف توضیح داد که: «علی رغم دستور دیوان بین‌المللی دادگستری، امریکا فروش قطعات هوایپیما و هوانوردی را به ایران تحریم کرده است.»

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۵ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۸:۱۷

## وزیر خارجه پیشین ایران: امریکا در مرگ رئیسی مقصرا است

۵ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ نور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۸:۱۵



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## ۵ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۸:۰۹

### سینماها و تئاترهای ایران تا اطلاع ثانوی تعطیل شدند

بر اساس اطلاعیه‌های رسمی، سینماهای سراسر ایران از روز دوشنبه تا «اطلاع ثانوی» تعطیل هستند.

نمایش تمامی تئاترهای کمدی و غیرکمدی نیز از امروز تا مدتی نامعلوم لغو خواهد شد.

## ۵ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۶:۰۸

### پوتین: ابراهیم رئیسی دوست واقعی روسیه بود

ولادیمیر پوتین، رئیس جمهور روسیه خطاب به علی خامنه‌ای مرگ ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش را تسلیت گفت.

او رئیسی را «سیاستمداری برجسته» خواند که از «احترام بالایی نزد هموطنان خود و اقتدار قابل توجهی در خارج از کشور» برخوردار بود.

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۶ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۷:۴۱

## پاکستان در پی کشته شدن رئیس جمهور ایران عزای عمومی اعلام کرد

شهباز شریف، نخست وزیر پاکستان در پی کشته شدن ابراهیم رئیسی، رئیس جمهور ایران، یک روز عزای عمومی اعلام کرد.

نخست وزیر پاکستان همچنان دستور داد که پرچم این کشور به عنوان بخشی از مراسم عزاداری برای یک روز در سراسر کشور نیمه برافراشته شود.

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۶ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۷:۴۰

## مقام اسرائیلی: تلآویو در مرگ رئیسی دخالتی نداشته است

یک مقام اسرائیلی به خبرگزاری رویترز گفت که اسرائیل در سقوط چرخبال ابراهیم رئیسی که منجر به مرگ او و هیات همراهش شد، دخالتی نداشته است.

۶ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۶:۴۸

## پیام‌های تسلیت حزب الله و حشد شعبی برای مرگ ابراهیم رئیسی

حزب الله لبنان و حشد شعبی عراق در پیام‌هایی جداگانه، مرگ ابراهیم رئیسی را تسلیت گفتند.

حشد الشعوب همراه با پیام تسلیت تصویری مشترک از رئیسی همراه با قاسم سلیمانی و ابو محمدی المهندس منتشر کرد.

۷ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۶:۴۰

## اصرار رسانه‌های دولتی ایران بر پیدا شدن چرخبال رئیسی با پهپاد ایرانی برغم نقش پهپاد ترکیه

در حالی که رسانه‌های دولتی ایران در خبرهای خود بر پیدا شدن محل سقوط چرخبال رئیسی و همراهانش با پهپادهای ایران تاکید می‌کنند، خبرگزاری آناتولی ترکیه گزارش داد که «لاشه چرخبال رئیس جمهور ایران در مختصات مشخص شده توسط پهپاد آکینجی یافته شد.»

۷ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۶:۲۹

## سخنگوی شورای نگهبان ایران: از دیروز موارد لازم به معاون اول رئیس جمهور گفته شده است

سخنگوی شورای نگهبان ایران گفت که «از دیروز» موارد لازم به محمد مخبر، معاون اول رئیسی گفته شد و «اداره امور توسط او انجام می‌شود».

طحان نظیف افزود که موضوع فرایند حداقل ۵۰ روزه برای برگزاری انتخابات تمهیدات لازم را خواهد داشت.

## ۷ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۵:۵۶

### رئیس هلال احمر: اجساد سرنشینان چرخبال حامل رئیسی و همراهان در حال انتقال است

رئیس جمعیت هلال احمر اعلام کرد اجساد سرنشینان چرخبال حامل ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش در حال انتقال هستند و عملیات جستجو به پایان رسیده است.

پیرحسین کولیوند در تماس با شبکه خبر گفت اجساد در حال انتقال به تبریز است.

## ۸ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۵:۴۳

### مقام ایرانی: انتخابات ریاست جمهوری باید در ۵۰ روز آینده برگزار شود

رئیس کمیسیون امور داخلی و شوراهای ایران گفت انتخابات ریاست جمهوری چهاردهم طبق قانون باید در پنجاه روز آینده برگزار شود. محمدصالح جوکار گفت بعد از انتخاب رئیس جمهور او کابینه جدید را برای اخذ رای اعتماد به مجلس معرفی می‌کند.

## ۸ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۵:۱۳

### با کشته شدن رئیسی، معاون اول او مسئولیت‌هایش را به عهده می‌گیرد

طبق قانون اساسی جمهوری اسلامی ایران، معاون اول رئیس جمهور در صورت مرگ او با موافقت رهبر حکومت مسئولیت‌های او را به عهده می‌گیرد. محمد مخبر معاون اول رئیسی است.

## ۸ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۴:۵۱

### عبدالله عبدالله کشته شدن ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش در سقوط بالگرد را تسلیت گفت

عبدالله عبدالله، رئیس پیشین شورای عالی مصالحه ملی در یادداشتی در حساب کاربری خود در اکس، کشته شدن ابراهیم رئیسی رئیس جمهور ایران و همراهانش در سقوط بالگرد را به مردم و دولت ایران تسلیت گفت. او نوشت: «مراتب غم‌شیریکی عمیق خویش را تقدیم می‌دارم.»

## ۹ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۴:۳۶

## هیات دولت ایران در پی کشته شدن ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش جلسه فوری تشکیل داد

هیات دولت جمهوری اسلامی ایران در پی کشته شدن ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش جلسه فوری تشکیل داد. ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش در سقوط بالگرد در آذربایجان شرقی کشته شدند.

۹ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۶:۱۴

### خبرگزاری تسنیم: ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش در سقوط بالگرد کشته شدند

خبرگزاری تسنیم، وابسته به سپاه از کشته شدن ابراهیم رئیسی رئیس جمهور ایران و همراهانش در سقوط بالگرد خبر داد.

علاوه بر ابراهیم رئیسی، حسین امیرعبداللهیان وزیر خارجه جمهوری اسلامی و چند تن دیگر در بالگرد بودند.

۹ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۵:۱۶

### فرمانده سپاه عاشورا در ایران: در بالگرد حامل رئیسی برخی از جسدها سوخته‌اند

فرمانده سپاه عاشورا در ایران اعلام کرد برخی از جسدها در پی سقوط بالگرد رئیسی سوخته‌اند و قابل شناسایی نیستند. برخی رسانه‌ها هم تصاویری از لشه بالگرد حامل رئیسی و جسدی‌های در اطراف آن را منتشر کرده‌اند.

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۹ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۴:۵۰

### خبرگزاری مهر: ابراهیم رئیسی در سقوط بالگرد کشته شد

خبرگزاری مهر کشته شدن ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش را در سقوط بالگرد تایید کرد. «شبکه امامت»، رسانه وابسته به شورای سیاستگذاری ائمه جمعه در ایران نیز کشته شدن رئیسی و همراهانش از جمله محمدعلی آل‌هاشم، نماینده خامنه‌ای را تایید کرده است.

۱۰ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ تور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۴:۲۶

### تصاویر اولیه از لشه بالگرد ابراهیم رئیسی

هلال احمر ایران و خبرگزاری‌های دولتی در این کشور تصاویر اولیه از لحظه پیدا شدن لشه بالگرد حامل ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش را پخش کردند.

همزمان سایت رجانيوز گزارش داده که تلاش‌ها برای کشف علائم حیاتی سرنشینان بالگرد ادامه دارد.

۱۰ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۳:۱۹ ◉

### **رئیس جمعیت هلال احمر ایران: آثاری از زنده بودن سرنشینان بالگرد مشاهده نشده است**

حسین کولیوند، رئیس جمعیت هلال احمر ایران از رسیدن نیروهای امدادی به محل بقایای بالگرد رئیسی و همراهانش خبر داد.

رئیس جمعیت هلال احمر گفته با کشف محل بالگرد سانحه دیده آثاری از زنده بودن سرنشینان بالگرد مشاهده نشده است.

۱۰ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۳:۱۰ ◉

### **امدادگران: کابین بالگرد ابراهیم رئیسی سوخته و سرنشینان «جان ندارند»**

ویدیوهای منتشر شده در رسانه‌ها پرواز پهپادهای امدادی را نشان می‌دهند که امدادگران می‌گویند بالگرد حامل رئیسی سوخته است. امدادگران می‌گویند بدن سرنشینان سرد است و «جان ندارند».

۱۱ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۲:۴۴ ◉

### **رویترز: بالگرد ابراهیم رئیسی به طور کامل سوخته است**

خبرگزاری رویترز به نقل از یک مقام نوشت: بالگرد ابراهیم رئیسی در سانحه به طور کامل سوخته است.

به گزارش رسانه‌های دولتی ایران، تاکنون آثاری از زنده بودن سرنشینان بالگرد به دست نیامده است.

۱۱ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۲:۳۸ ◉

### **رئیس هلال احمر ایران پیدا شدن محل سقوط بالگرد ابراهیم رئیسی را تائید کرد**

پیرحسین کولیوند، رئیس جمعیت هلال احمر ایران پیدا شدن محل سقوط بالگرد ابراهیم رئیسی، رئیس جمهور این کشور را تائید کرد.

پیرحسین کولیوند گفت: «شرایط خوب نیست.»

خبرگزاری تسنیم، تصاویری از لحظه پیدا شدن بالگرد رئیسی را منتشر کرده است.

۱۱ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ نور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۲:۱۴

## خبرگزاری ایرنا: محل سقوط بالگرد رئیسی پیدا شد

خبرگزاری جمهوری اسلامی (ایران) از پیدا شدن محل سقوط بالگرد ابراهیم رئیسی، رئیس جمهور ایران خبر داد.

خبرگزاری ایرنا نوشت: « نیروهای امدادی در حال نزدیک شدن به محل سانحه هستند.»

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۱۲ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ نور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۱:۱۴

## رسانه‌های جمهوری اسلامی: لشه بالگرد حامل رئیسی در مختصات پهپاد ترکیه‌ای یافت نشد

به گزارش خبرگزاری فارس، تیم‌های امدادی نشانه‌ای از بالگرد رئیسی را در مختصات اعلامی پهپاد ترکیه‌ای مشاهده نکردند. روزنامه ایران هم نوشت: نیروهای امدادی به مختصات اعلام شده پهپاد ترکیه‌ای رسیدند، اما تاکنون گزارشی از مشاهده لشه بالگرد وجود ندارد.

۱۲ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ نور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۸:۰۸

## خبرگزاری آناتولی: پهپاد ترکیه احتمالاً محل سقوط بالگرد رئیسی را پیدا کرده است

خبرگزاری آناتولی با انتشار تصاویری در حساب کاربری خود در شبکه اجتماعی اکس، از تشخیص محل احتمالی سقوط بالگرد ابراهیم رئیسی توسط پهپاد آکینجی ترکیه خبر داد. طبق این گزارش، اطلاعات جمع‌آوری شده توسط پهپاد آکینجی به طرف ایرانی ارسال شده است.

۱۳ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ نور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۰:۱۴

## مقام ایرانی: یک منبع حرارتی که احتمالاً لشه بالگرد رئیسی است، شناسایی شده است

فرمانده سپاه عاشورا در ایران اعلام کرد یک منبع حرارتی که احتمالاً لشه بالگرد ابراهیم رئیسی است، شناسایی شده است.

خبرگزاری تسنیم هم گزارش داد که «آکینجی» هوایی بدون سرنشین ترکیه منبع گرمایی را شناسایی کرده که گمان می‌رود مربوط به بالگرد باشد.

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۱۳ ساعت پیش . ۳۱ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۵:۳۲

## هلال احمر ایران: بوی سوخت موترها با بوی سوخت بالگرد رئیسی اشتباه شد

رئیس هلال احمر ایران خبر داد که بوی سوخت حس شده، بوی سوخت خود موترها بوده است. پیرحسین کولیوند گفت: «همکاران ما بوی سوخت موترها را با بوی سوخت بالگرد اشتباه گرفتند.» او پیشتر گفته بود در حال اعزام نیرو به مکانی است که بوی سوخت در آن حس شده است.

۱۴ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۲۳:۲۸

## هلال احمر ایران: به دلیل شرایط سخت محیطی، عملیات جستجوی بالگرد رئیسی با کندی مواجه است

ستاد ملی مدیریت شرایط اضطراری هلال احمر ایران اعلام کرد شرایط جوی منطقه حادثه بالگرد ابراهیم رئیسی مه‌گرفته و بارانی است. این نهاد گفته عملیات جستجو با وجود شرایط سخت و کاهش دید در منطقه و همچنین مخاطرات محیطی با کندی مواجه است.

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۱۴ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۹:۲۳

## پوتین به سفير جمهوری اسلامی: به خامنه‌ای بگویید نگرانیم و هر کمک لازم باشد انجام می‌دهیم

به گزارش رسانه‌های ایران، ولادیمیر پوتین در جلسه‌ای با کاظم جلالی سفير ایران در مسکو گفت: «ما از وقوع حادثه برای بالگرد رئیس‌جمهور ایران بسیار ناراحت شدیم. حتماً پیام من را به خامنه‌ای منتقل کنید.» او افزود: هر کاری برای کمک لازم باشد انجام می‌دهیم.

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۱۵ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۹:۳۲

## رهبر اکثریت سنای امریکا: در حادثه بالگرد رئیسی، مدرکی در ارتباط با خرابکاری وجود ندارد

چاک شومر، رهبر اکثریت سنای امریکا گفت مقام‌های امنیتی به او گفته‌اند «هیچ مدرکی دال بر خرابکاری» در سقوط بالگرد رئیسی وجود ندارد.

او افزود: بالگرد در هوای بسیار بد و مه آلودی در شمال غرب ایران سقوط کرد، «بنابراین به نظر یک تصادف است.»

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۱۵ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۵:۲۲

## خبرگزاری تسنیم: عملیات نجات با سختی در حال انجام است

خبرگزاری تسنیم نوشت که منطقه سانحه برای بالگرد رئیس جمهور ایران به علت دارا بودن ارتفاعات و کوههای زیاد، امکان هیچ‌گونه ارتباط مخابراتی، رادیویی، تلفنی و موبایلی وجود نداشته و عملیات با سختی در حال انجام است.

۱۶ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۸:۴۰

## هلال احمر: مه‌گرفتگی، باران و تاریکی شب جستجو را سخت کرده

پیرحسین کولیوند، رئیس جمعیت هلال احمر جمهوری اسلامی اعلام کرد «مه‌گرفتگی، باران و تاریکی شب کار جستجو را سخت کرده است.»

او افزود با وجود شرایط دشوار، عملیات تجسس همچنان ادامه دارد.

۱۷ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۸:۰۵

## امارات متحده عربی: آماده کمک به عملیات یافتن بالگرد هستیم

وزارت امور خارجه امارات متحده عربی در واکنش به سانحه هواپی برای رئیسی اعلام کرد ابوظبی در کنار تهران ایستاده است.

امارات متحده عربی همچنین از آمادگی خود برای کمک به عملیات یافتن بالگرد حامل رئیسی و همراهانش خبر داد.

۱۷ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۷:۰۵

## مشارکت ترکیه در عملیات جستجوی بالگرد رئیسی

وزارت دفاع ترکیه اعلام کرد یک فروند پهپاد آکینجنی و یک فروند بالگرد از نوع کوگار با قابلیت دید در شب، برای کمک به عملیات جستجوی بالگرد رئیسی در آذربایجان شرقی اختصاص داده شده است.

این اقدام به درخواست جمهوری اسلامی انجام گرفت.

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۱۷ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۰۶:۰۵

## هلال احمر: هنوز خبری از بالگرد و سرنشینان آن نیست

ستاد ملی مدیریت شرایط اضطراری هلال احمر ایران اعلام کرد هنوز خبری از بالگرد سانحه دیده و سرنشینان آن نیست.

این ستاد افزود عملیات جستجو با وجود برودت هوا همچنان ادامه دارد و تعداد تیم‌های امدادی حاضر در منطقه به ۶۵ تیم افزایش یافته است.

۱۸ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ نور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۹:۲۸

## یک مقام نظامی: محل دقیق سانحه شناسایی شده و در حال عزیمت به منطقه هستیم

فرمانده سپاه پاسداران در آذربایجان شرقی ایران اعلام کرد: «دقایقی قبل سیگنالی از بالگرد و تلفن همراه یکی از خدمه در محل سانحه دریافت شد.»

او افزود نیروهای نظامی در حال عزیمت به محل سقوط چرخبال ساقط شده رئیسی هستند.

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۱۸ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ نور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۸:۵۹

## هلال احمر: محل سقوط بالگرد حامل رئیسی شناسایی شده است

بابک محمودی، رئیس سازمان امداد و نجات هلال احمر گفت محل سقوط بالگرد حامل رئیسی شناسایی شده است.

او افزود: «دقایقی پیش تیم‌های عملیاتی اعزام شده به محل پس از ساعتها جستجو، محل احتمالی بالگرد سانحه دیده رئیس جمهور و هیات همراه را شناسایی کردند.»

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۱۹ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ نور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۸:۲۲

## معاون اجرایی رئیسی: به نظر می‌رسد که حادثه سختی نبوده است

محسن منصوری، معاون اجرایی رئیسی گفت: «با دو نفر از همراهان رئیس جمهور در چند نوبت ارتباط برقرار کرده‌ایم و به نظر می‌رسد که حادثه سختی نبوده است.»

منصوری به همراه بهرام عین‌اللهی، وزیر بهداشت جمهوری اسلامی ایران برای بررسی شرایط به منطقه اعزام شده‌اند.

۱۹ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ نور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۸:۲۰

## اتحادیه اروپا به درخواست تهران برای یافتن موقعیت بالگرد رئیسی کمک می‌کند

یانتس ل Nagarjig، کمیسر مدیریت بحران اتحادیه اروپا اعلام کرد این اتحادیه به درخواست تهران، سامانه نقشه‌برداری سرویس مدیریت اضطراری کوپرنیک را برای پیدا کردن بالگرد حامل ابراهیم رئیسی فعال کرده است.

۱۹ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۸:۱۷

### **ریاض: در این شرایط دشوار در کنار تهران ایستاده‌ایم**

وزارت امور خارجه عربستان سعودی با انتشار بیانیه‌ای اعلام کرد ریاض اخبار مربوط به سانحه هوایی برای رئیسی را با «نگرانی شدید» دنبال می‌کند.

در این بیانیه آمده ریاض «در این شرایط دشوار» در کنار تهران ایستاده و آماده ارائه «هرگونه کمک مورد نیاز» است.

۱۹ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۸:۱۶

### **روسیه: امیدواریم رئیسی و همراهانش زنده باشد**

ماریا زاخارووا، سخنگوی وزارت امور خارجه روسیه گفت مسکو آماده است در عملیات جستجوی بالگرد مفقود شده رئیسی و همچنین مشخص شدن علل این حادثه، با تهران همکاری کند.

زاخارووا افزود: «ما صمیمانه امیدواریم که سرنشیبان بالگرد زنده باشند و جان و سلامتی آن‌ها در خطر نباشد.»

۲۰ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۷:۲۸

### **وزیر داخله ایران: با توجه به مه شدید و باران، هنوز بالگرد ابراهیم رئیسی پیدا نشده است**

احمد وحیدی، وزیر داخله ایران گفت: «با توجه به مه شدید، باران، جنگل و دره در منطقه، هنوز توفیقی حاصل نشده و بالگرد رئیسی پیدا نشده است.»

۲۰ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۷:۱۹

### **رهبر ایران درباره سلامت ابراهیم رئیسی ابراز امیدواری کرد**

علی خامنه‌ای، رهبر جمهوری اسلامی ایران امیدواری کرد که رئیس‌جمهور ایران و همراهانش از حادثه سقوط چرخبال حامل شان جان سالم بدر ببرند.

او گفت: «همه برای سلامت این جمع خدمتگزار دعا کنند. ملت ایران نگران و دلواپس نباشند، هیچ اختلالی در کارکشور به وجود نمی‌آید.»

۲۰ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ژوئن ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۷:۰۱

## طالبان: وضعیت رئیس جمهور ایران را با «بیم و امید» دنبال می‌کنیم

وزارت خارجه طالبان در بیانیه‌ای گفت که «گزارش‌های پیرامون سرنوشت هلیکوپتر ابراهیم رئیسی، رئیس جمهوری اسلامی ایران، آقای حسین امیر عبداللهیان، وزیر امور خارجه و تعدادی همراهانش را با بیم و امید دنبال می‌نماید.»

این وزارت نوشت: «امیدواریم اتفاقی ناخوشایندی صورت نگرفته باشد.»

۲۰ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ژوئن ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۶:۵۱

## سخنگوی حکومت ایران: تاکنون هیچ خبر جدیدی درباره رئیسی نیست

به گزارش خبرگزاری تسنیم، بهادری جهرمی، سخنگوی حکومت ایران گفت که با توجه به مختصات محل حادثه و شرایط جوی، تا این لحظه هیچ خبر جدیدی درباره وضعیت رئیس جمهور ایران و همراهانش وجود ندارد.

۲۱ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ژوئن ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۶:۰۵

## تسنیم: تیم‌های امدادی به محل سانحه نزدیک‌تر شدند

خبرنگار تسنیم، نزدیک به سپاه پاسداران ایران گزارش داد که تیم‌های اعزامی هلال احمر، امدادی، کوهنوردان و گروه‌های مردمی کمتر از نیم ساعت آینده به محل مختصات احتمالی سانحه بالگرد رئیس جمهور ایران می‌رسند.

۲۲ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ژوئن ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۵:۴۶

## یک مقام ایرانی در گفت‌وگو با رویترز: جان رئیسی و امیر عبداللهیان در خطر است

یک مقام حکومت جمهوری اسلامی در مصاحبه با خبرگزاری رویترز، گزارش‌ها از محل سانحه را «بسیار نگران‌کننده» خواند و افزود جان رئیس جمهور و وزیر خارجه ایران «در خطر» قرار دارد.

او که می‌خواست هویتش فاش نشود، در عین حال تأکید کرد: «ما هنوز امیدوار هستیم.»

۲۲ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ژوئن ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۵:۱۴

## امریکا: اخبار مربوط به سانحه برای بالگرد حامل رئیسی را به دقت دنبال می‌کنیم

سخنگوی وزارت امور خارجه امریکا اعلام کرد واشنگتن گزارش‌های مربوط به سانحه برای بالگرد حامل رئیسی و امیر عبداللهیان را به دقت دنبال می‌کند.

او افزود: «در حال حاضر هیچ نظر دیگری در خصوص این رویداد نداریم.»

۲۲ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ژوئن ساعت ۱۵:۱۳

### صفحه اینستاگرام رئیسی: برای سلامتی او «نذر ختم صلوات» کنید

صفحه اینستاگرام ابراهیم رئیسی، رئیس جمهور ایران از مردم خواست برای سلامتی او و همراهانش «نذر ختم صلوات» کنند.

۲۲ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ژوئن ساعت ۱۴:۵۸

### نخستین تصاویر از حرکت امدادگران برای رسیدن به محل سانحه هلیکوپتر ابراهیم رئیسی

۲۳ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ژوئن ساعت ۱۴:۴۱

### وزیر داخله ایران درباره عملیات جستجوی ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش توضیح می‌دهد

## ۳۲ ساعت پیش . ۱۴:۳۲ نور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت

### **سخنگوی اورژانس ایران: هشت آمبولانس از تبریز به محل سانحه هلیکوپتر رئیس جمهور رفت**

مجتبی خالدی، سخنگوی اورژانس اعلام کرد هشت آمبولانس از تبریز راهی محل سانحه هلیکوپتر رئیس جمهور ایران شده است.

آقای خالدی گفت: «بالگرد اورژانس هوایی عازم منطقه شد که متأسفانه به دلیل مه شدید، ادامه عملیات هوایی ممکن نبود.»

## ۳۳ ساعت پیش . ۱۴:۱۴ نور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت

### **خبر فوری ایرنا: ۲۰ تیم امدادی برای یافتن رئیس جمهور به محل سانحه رسیدند اما جستجو زمان برخواهد بود**

خبرگزاری جمهوری اسلامی گزارش داد ۲۰ تیم امدادی و پهپادی به محل وقوع سانحه رسیده اند و جستجو برای یافتن ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهان او آغاز شده است.

ایرنا افزود: «به دلیل صعب‌العبور بودن منطقه، عملیات جستجو و نجات زمان برخواهد بود.»

۱۴:۱۱ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۴:۱۲

## **خبرگزاری ایسنا به نقل از منابع غیررسمی گزارش داد که برخی از همراهان رئیسی جان باخته‌اند**

خبرگزاری دانشجویان ایران (ایسنا) گزارش داد که «برخی از منابع غیررسمی از شهادت برخی همراهان رئیس‌جمهور خبر می‌دهند.»

براساس گزارش ایسنا «منابع رسمی تاکنون هیچ اظهار نظر مشخصی در این مورد نداشته‌اند.»

۱۴:۱۰ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۴:۱۴

## **معاون استانداری آذربایجان شرقی: از سه بالگرد حامل رئیسی و همراهانش، یک بالگرد سقوط کرد**

علی ذاکری، معاون استانداری آذربایجان شرقی گفت از سه بالگرد حامل ابراهیم رئیسی و همراهانش، یک بالگرد سقوط کرده است.

آقای ذاکری افزود: «از جزئیات حادثه اطلاعی ندارم.»

امام جمعه تبریز، استاندار آذربایجان شرقی، وزیر خارجه ایران و برخی دیگر در بالگرد همراه رئیسی بودند.

۱۴:۰۹ ساعت پیش . ۳۰ ثور ۱۴۰۳ ساعت ۱۴:۱۴

## **گزارش‌های ضد و نقیض رسانه‌های داخلی ایران درباره «سانحه» هلیکوپتر حامل ابراهیم رئیسی**

رسانه‌های ایران گزارش‌های ضد و نقیضی درباره بالگرد حامل رئیس‌جمهور ایران منتشر کرده‌اند.

تسنیم نوشت بالگرد حامل ابراهیم رئیسی در آذربایجان شرقی «دچار سانحه شده» اما خبرگزاری فارس نوشت هلیکوپتر به دلیل مهآلود بودن هوا بر زمین نشست و کاروان رئیسی به صورت زمینی راهی تبریز شد.

بیشتر بخوانید



# Ebrahim Raisi

**Ebrahim Raisolsadati** (Persian: ابراهیم رئیس‌الساداتی; 14 December 1960 – 19 May 2024),<sup>[11]</sup> commonly known as **Ebrahim Raisi** (Persian: ابراهیم رئیسی [ebrəm̩ ˈhi:m-e ræi̩s̩i:]), was an Iranian politician who served as the eighth president of Iran from 2021 until his death in 2024.<sup>[12][13]</sup> A Principlist and a Muslim jurist, he became president after the 2021 election.

In his early career, Raisi served in several positions in Iran's judicial system, including as Deputy Prosecutor and Prosecutor of Tehran. For his role on the so-called death committee during the 1988 executions of Iranian political prisoners, he became known as the "Butcher of Tehran". He was sanctioned by the U.S. Office of Foreign Assets Control in accordance with Executive Order 13876. He was accused of crimes against humanity by international human rights organizations and United Nations special rapporteurs.

He was later Deputy Chief Justice (2004–2014), Attorney General (2014–2016), and Chief Justice (2019–2021). He was Custodian and Chairman of Astan Quds Razavi, a bonyad, from 2016 until 2019. He was a member of Assembly of Experts from South Khorasan Province, being elected for the first time in the 2006 election. He was the son-in-law of Mashhad Friday prayer leader and Grand Imam of Imam Reza shrine, Ahmad Alamolhoda.

Raisi ran for president in 2017 as the candidate of the conservative Popular Front of Islamic Revolution Forces, losing to moderate incumbent president Hassan Rouhani, 57% to 38.3%. Raisi successfully ran for president a second time in 2021 with 62.9% of the votes, succeeding Hassan Rouhani. According to many observers, the 2021 Iranian presidential election was rigged in favour of Raisi, who was considered an ally of Ali Khamenei. Raisi was often seen as a frontrunner to succeed Khamenei as Supreme Leader, but he died in the 2024 Varzaqan helicopter crash. Considered a hardliner in Iranian politics, Raisi's presidency saw deadlock in negotiations with the U.S. over the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) and large-scale protests throughout the country in late 2022, triggered by the death of Mahsa Amini on 16 September. During Raisi's term, Iran intensified uranium enrichment, hindered international inspections, and supported Russia in its

Hujjat al-Islam<sup>[1][2]</sup>

Sayyid

**Ebrahim Raisi**

ابراهیم رئیسی



Raisi on 19 May 2024

**8th President of Iran**

**In office**

3 August 2021 – 19 May 2024

**Supreme Leader**

Ali Khamenei

**First Vice President**

Mohammad Mokhber

**Preceded by**

Hassan Rouhani

**Succeeded by**

Mohammad Mokhber (acting)

**7th Chief Justice of Iran**

**In office**

7 March 2019 – 1 July 2021

**Appointed by**

Ali Khamenei

**First Deputy**

Gholam-Hossein Mohseni-Eje'i

**Preceded by**

Sadeq Larijani

**Succeeded by**

Gholam-Hossein Mohseni-Eje'i

**Member of Expediency Discernment Council**

invasion of Ukraine. Additionally, Iran launched a missile and drone attack on Israel during the Gaza conflict and continued arming proxy groups like Hezbollah and the Houthi movement.

## Early life and education

Ebrahim Raisi was born on 14 December 1960 to a clerical family in the Noghan district of Mashhad. His father, Seyed Haji, died when he was 5.<sup>[5][14][15]</sup> Ancestrally, Raisi was among Husayn ibn Ali (Hussaini) Sayyids, and he was connected to Ali ibn Husayn Zayn al-Abidin Sayyids.<sup>[16]</sup>

Raisi passed his primary-education in "Javadiyeh school"; then started studying in the Hawza (Islamic seminary). In 1975, he went to "Ayatollah Boroujerdi School" in order to continue his education in Qom Seminary. He has claimed to have received a doctorate degree in private law from Motahari University; however, this has been disputed.<sup>[6]</sup>

## Clerical credentials

Raisi began his studies at the Qom Seminary at the age of 15.<sup>[5][17]</sup> He then decided to study in the Navvab school for a short time. After that, he went to Ayatollah Sayyed Muhammad Mousavi Nezhad school, where he studied while also teaching other students. In 1976, he went to Qom to continue his studies at the Ayatollah Borujerdi school. He was a student of Seyyed Hossein Borujerdi, Morteza Motahhari, Abolghasem Khazali, Hossein Noori Hamedani, Ali Meshkini and Morteza Pasandideh.<sup>[18][19]</sup> Raisi also passed his "KharejeFeqh" (external-Fiqh) to Seyyed Ali Khamenei and Mojtaba Tehrani.<sup>[20]</sup> According to Alex Vatanka of the Middle East Institute, Raisi's "exact religious qualification" is a "sore point". "For a while" prior to investigation by the Iranian media, he "referred to himself" as "Ayatollah" on his personal website. However, according to Vatanka, the media "publicized his lack of formal religious education" and credentials, after which Raisi ceased claiming to hold the aforementioned rank. After this investigation and criticism he "refer[ed] to himself as hojat ol eslam", a clerical rank immediately beneath that of Ayatollah.<sup>[21]</sup> Raisi subsequently again declared himself an Ayatollah shortly before the 2021 presidential election.<sup>[22]</sup> The decree by Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei appointing him as President, refers to him as a hojat ol eslam.<sup>[23]</sup>

## Judicial career

### Early years

<b>In office</b>	
14 August 2017 – 7 March 2019	
<b>Appointed by</b>	<u>Ali Khamenei</u>
<b>Chairman</b>	<u>Mahmoud Hashemi Shahroudi</u>
	<u>Sadeq Larijani</u>
<b>Prosecutor-General of Iran</b>	
<b>In office</b>	
23 August 2014 – 1 April 2016	
<b>Appointed by</b>	<u>Sadeq Larijani</u>
<b>Preceded by</b>	<u>Gholam-Hossein Mohseni-Eje'i</u>
<b>Succeeded by</b>	<u>Mohammad Jafar Montazeri</u>
<b>Member of the Assembly of Experts</b>	
<b>In office</b>	
24 May 2016 – 19 May 2024	
<b>Constituency</b>	<u>South Khorasan Province</u>
<b>Majority</b>	<u>325,139 (80.0%)</u> <sup>[3]</sup>
<b>In office</b>	
20 February 2007 – 21 May 2016	
<b>Constituency</b>	<u>South Khorasan Province</u>
<b>Majority</b>	<u>200,906 (68.6%)</u>
<b>2nd First Deputy Chief Justice of Iran</b>	
<b>In office</b>	
27 July 2004 – 23 August 2014	
<b>Chief Justice</b>	<u>Mahmoud Hashemi Shahroudi</u>
	<u>Sadeq Larijani</u>
<b>Preceded by</b>	<u>Mohammad-Hadi Marvi</u> <sup>[4]</sup>
<b>Succeeded by</b>	<u>Gholam-Hossein Mohseni-Eje'i</u>
<b>Chairman of General Inspection Office</b>	
<b>In office</b>	
22 August 1994 – 9 August 2004	
<b>Appointed by</b>	<u>Mohammad Yazdi</u>
<b>Preceded by</b>	<u>Mostafa Mohaghegh Damad</u>
<b>Succeeded by</b>	<u>Mohammad Niazi</u>
<b>Personal details</b>	
<b>Born</b>	<u>Sayyid Ebrahim Raisolsadati</u>
	<u>14 December 1960</u>

In 1981, he was appointed the prosecutor of Karaj. Later on, he was also appointed Prosecutor of Hamadan and served both positions together. He was simultaneously active in two cities more than 300 km away from each other.<sup>[24]</sup> After four months, he was appointed Prosecutor of Hamadan Province.<sup>[5]</sup>

### Tehran deputy prosecutor

He was appointed Deputy prosecutor of Tehran in 1985 and moved to the capital.<sup>[25]</sup> After three years and in early 1988, he was placed in the attention of Ruhollah Khomeini and received special provisions (independent from judiciary) from him to address legal issues in some provinces like Lorestan, Semnan and Kermanshah.

### 1988 executions

Hussein-Ali Montazeri named Raisi as one of the four persons involved in the 1988 executions of Iranian political prisoners.<sup>[26]</sup> Other persons were Morteza Eshraghi (Prosecutor of Tehran), Hossein-Ali Nayeri (Judge) and Mostafa Pourmohammadi (MOI representative in Evin). Names of first two persons are mentioned in Khomeini's order. Pourmohammadi has denied his role but Raisi did not comment publicly on the matter.<sup>[27][28]</sup> Due to the involvement of this prosecution committee in thousands of executions, it has been informally called the 'death committee'.<sup>[29][30][31][32]</sup> His role earned Raisi the reputation of being a "hanging judge."<sup>[33][34]</sup>

The 1988 executions of Iranian political prisoners were a series of state-sponsored executions of political prisoners across Iran, starting on 19 July 1988 and lasting for approximately five months.<sup>[35][36][37][38][39][40]</sup> The majority of those killed were supporters of the People's Mujahedin of Iran, although supporters of other leftist factions, including the Fedaian and the Tudeh Party of Iran (Communist Party), were executed as well.<sup>[41][42]</sup> According to Amnesty International, "thousands of political dissidents were systematically subjected to enforced disappearance in Iranian detention facilities across the country and extrajudicially executed pursuant to an order issued by the Supreme Leader of Iran and implemented across prisons in the country. Many of those killed during this time were subjected to torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment in the process."<sup>[43]</sup>

The killings have been described as a political purge without precedent in modern Iranian history, both in terms of scope and coverup.<sup>[44]</sup> However, the exact number of prisoners executed remains a point of contention. Amnesty International, after interviewing dozens of relatives, puts the number in thousands;<sup>[45]</sup> and then-Supreme Leader Ruhollah Khomeini's deputy, Hussein-Ali Montazeri put the number between 2,800 and 3,800 in his memoirs,<sup>[46]</sup> but an alternative estimation suggests that the number exceeded 30,000.<sup>[47]</sup> Because of the large number, prisoners were loaded into forklift trucks in groups of six and hanged from cranes in half-hour intervals.<sup>[48]</sup> Amnesty describes the state's refusal to provide families with the location of the mass graves of their loved ones as 'ongoing crimes against humanity'.<sup>[49]</sup>

### Senior positions

	Mashhad, Imperial State of Iran
<b>Died</b>	19 May 2024 (aged 63) near Varzaqan, Iran
<b>Cause of death</b>	Helicopter crash
<b>Political party</b>	Combatant Clergy Association <sup>[5]</sup>
<b>Other political affiliations</b>	Islamic Republican Party (until 1987) <sup>[5]</sup>
<b>Spouse</b>	Jamileh Alamolhoda (m. 1983)
<b>Children</b>	2
<b>Relatives</b>	Ahmad Alamolhoda (father-in-law)
<b>Alma mater</b>	Shahid Motahari University <sup>[5]</sup> Qom Seminary <sup>[5]</sup> (both disputed) <sup>[6]</sup>
<b>Signature</b>	
<b>Website</b>	Government website ( <a href="http://president.ir/en/">http://president.ir/en/</a> ) Personal website (Persian) ( <a href="http://raisi.ir/">http://raisi.ir/</a> )
<b>Nickname</b>	Butcher of Tehran <sup>[7][8][9][10]</sup>



Raisi in the 1980s

After Khomeini's death and election of Ali Khamenei as the new Supreme Leader, Raisi was appointed Tehran prosecutor by newly appointed Chief-Judge Mohammad Yazdi. He held the office for five years from 1989 to 1994. In 1994, he was appointed head of General Inspection Office.

From 2004 until 2014, Raisi served as First Deputy Chief Justice of Iran, being appointed by Chief Justice Mahmoud Hashemi Shahroudi. He kept his position in Sadeq Larijani's first term as Chief Justice. He was later appointed Attorney-General of Iran in 2014, a position that he held until 2016, when he resigned to become Chairman of Astan Quds Razavi.<sup>[50]</sup> He was also served as Special Clerical Court prosecutor by the order of the Supreme Leader, Seyyed Ali Khamenei from 2012 to 2021.<sup>[51]</sup>

## Other positions

Raisi was a member of the board of trustees of Execution of Imam Khomeini's Order for ten years by order of Seyyed Ali Khamenei. He was also a member of the "Supreme Selection Board". He was the founder of "Fatemeh Al-Zahra Seminary" (in Tehran) and the first secretary of the headquarters for reviving the enjoining good and forbidding wrong in the country.<sup>[52][53]</sup> He was appointed the prosecutor of Hamedan province, and was active there for three years since 1982 to 1984.<sup>[54]</sup>

His other executive and oversight responsibilities include the positions such as: membership in the "Supreme Council of Cyberspace", "the Monetary and Credit Council", and "the Anti-Corruption Headquarters".<sup>[55]</sup>

## Astan Quds chairmanship

He became chairman of Astan Quds Razavi on 7 March 2016 after the death of his predecessor Abbas Vaez-Tabasi,<sup>[56][57]</sup> a position which he stayed in until 2019.<sup>[58]</sup> He was the second person to serve this office from 1979. Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei enumerated serving the pilgrims of the holy shrine, especially poor people and also serve nearby, especially the poor and dispossessed as two important responsibilities of Raisi in his appointment order.<sup>[59]</sup>

## 2017 presidential election

Raisi was named as one of the Popular Front of Islamic Revolution Forces (JAMNA)'s presidential candidates in February 2017.<sup>[60][61]</sup> His candidacy was also supported by the Front of Islamic Revolution Stability.<sup>[62][63]</sup> He officially announced his nomination in a statement published on 6 April, and called it his "religious and revolutionary responsibility to run", citing the need for a "fundamental change in the executive management of the country" and a government that "fights poverty and corruption."<sup>[64]</sup> He registered on 14 April 2017 at Ministry of Interior with saying it's time to perform citizenship rights, not only writing act.<sup>[65]</sup>



Raisi speaking at a presidential campaign rally, 2017

On 15 May 2017, conservative candidate Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf withdrew his candidacy in favor of Raisi.<sup>[66]</sup> It was speculated that Ghalibaf would be Raisi's first vice president if he was elected.<sup>[67]</sup> They also joined in a campaign rally in Tehran with each other.

After election results were announced, Raisi received 15,786,449 out of 42,382,390 (38.30% of the votes). He lost to incumbent president Rouhani and ranked second. He did not congratulate Rouhani on his re-election as the president,<sup>[68]</sup> and asked the Guardian Council to look into "violations of the law" before and during the elections, with 100 pages of attached documentation.<sup>[69]</sup>

## Presidency (2021–2024)

### 2021 presidential election

In 2021, Raisi ran again for the presidency and won the election.<sup>[70][71]</sup> The election had a 48.8% turnout, and 63% went to Raisi.<sup>[72]</sup> Out of 28.9 million votes, around 3.7 million votes were not counted, likely because they were blank or otherwise invalid protest votes.<sup>[73]</sup> According to many observers, the 2021 Iranian presidential election was rigged in favour of Raisi.<sup>[74][75][76]</sup>

Almost 600 candidates, 40 of which were female, registered in the election, of which 7 men were approved a month before the election by the 12 jurists and theologians on the *Guardian Council* (an unelected body that has the final decision on candidate validity based on the strength of 'the candidates' qualifications'). Three of those seven candidates were subsequently pulled out before polling day. Before he withdrew, reformist candidate Mohsen Mehralizadeh hinted that the vote would be a foregone conclusion, saying during a candidates TV debate that the ruling clerics had aligned "sun, moon and the heavens to make one particular person the president," according to *The Economist*. Former president Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, among those barred from running, said in a video message that he would not vote, declaring: "I do not want to have a part in this sin."<sup>[77]</sup>

## Tenure

Raisi was appointed the president of Iran on 3 August 2021, through a decree issued by the Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei. During his inauguration speech, Raisi stated that his government would seek to lift the sanctions on Iran imposed by the United States, but added that it would not let foreigners dictate how its economy is run.<sup>[23]</sup> He was sworn-in before the Islamic Consultative Assembly on 5 August during a ceremony attended by around 260 officials, both from Iran and other countries. In his speech, he stated that Iran was actually responsible for stabilising the Middle East, that he would resist foreign pressure on Iran but widen its external relations, especially with Iran's neighbours, promised to support any diplomatic move to lift the American sanctions and assured that Iran's nuclear programme was only meant for peaceful purposes. He also promised that he would try to improve the quality of life for Iranians and defend human rights.<sup>[78]</sup>

Raisi appointed Muhammad Mukhbar, the head of the Execution of Imam Khomeini's Order foundation, as the First Vice President of Iran on 8 August. Gholam-Hossein Esmaeli, a former spokesman for the judiciary, was also appointed Raisi's chief of staff.<sup>[79]</sup> On 11 August, Raisi appointed former Minister of Petroleum and Minister of Commerce Masoud Mir Kazemi as a Vice President and head of the Plan and Budget Organization.<sup>[80]</sup> He also presented nominations for his cabinet before the Islamic Consultative Assembly on the same day.<sup>[81]</sup>

Raisi's nomination of Ahmad Vahidi as Minister of Interior among his cabinet nominations was quickly strongly condemned by both Argentina and Israel, with the former having requested his arrest through a red notice of Interpol for his alleged involvement in the 1994 AMIA bombing in Buenos Aires. The Argentine foreign ministry stated that Vahidi's designation was an "affront to the Argentine justice and the victims of the terrorist attack".<sup>[82]</sup>

On 20 August, Raisi appointed former Minister of Culture Mohammad Hosseini as Vice President for Parliamentary Affairs.<sup>[83]</sup> 18 out of 19 of his cabinet picks were approved by the Islamic Consultative Assembly on 25 August, except **Hossein Baghgoli**, whom Raisi had chosen as the Minister of Education. Many of the ministerial choices are sanctioned by the United States and several are veterans of the Islamic Republic of Iran Armed Forces.<sup>[84]</sup>

Raisi meanwhile appointed former IRGC commander-in-chief Mohsen Rezaee as the Vice President for Economic Affairs on 25 August. He also appointed him as the Secretary of the Supreme Council for Economic Coordination, as well as the Secretary of the Iranian government's Economic Committee.<sup>[85]</sup> On 26 August, Iran had a renewed diplomatic clash with Argentina, when the latter condemned the appointment of Rezaee. Rezaee is also



Raisi casting his ballot in the 2021 presidential election



Raisi wearing a mask during the COVID-19 pandemic, 2022



Raisi and other leaders at the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation summit on 16 September 2022

wanted by Argentina for alleged involvement in the AMIA bombing. Argentina "energetically" condemned his designation and added that "Iran must cooperate with the investigation" and added again that Rezaee's designation was another "affront to the Argentine justice".<sup>[86][87]</sup>

On 1 September, Raisi appointed former president of Al-Zahra University Ensieh Khazali as Vice President for Women and Family Affairs and Mohammad Dehghan as Vice President for Legal Affairs.<sup>[88]</sup> On 4 September, he stated that Iran would resume talks over its nuclear programme, which have been stalled since his election victory, but not under pressure from Western countries.<sup>[89]</sup>

On 5 September, Raisi appointed Meysam Latifi, former dean of Islamic education and management at Imam Sadiq University, as a Vice President and Head of the Administrative and Recruitment Affairs Organization,<sup>[90]</sup> while Sowlat Mortazavi was appointed Vice President for Executive Affairs and Head of the Presidential Administration.<sup>[91]</sup> In addition, former Head of Management and Planning Organization Farhad Rahbar was appointed the President's Assistant for Economic Affairs.<sup>[92]</sup> Amir-Hossein Ghazizadeh Hashemi was appointed a Vice President and the Head of the Foundation of Martyrs and Veterans Affairs on 12 September.<sup>[93]</sup>

Importation of COVID-19 vaccine meanwhile surged since Raisi took office, with over 30 million doses being imported during the Iranian month of Shahrivar, more than the vaccine imports since February 2021, while 13.4 million were imported during the month of Mordad in which Raisi was sworn in. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs announced importation of 60 million more vaccines on 19 September.<sup>[94]</sup> In a pre-recorded speech before the 76th session of the United Nations General Assembly on 21 September, Raisi stated that Iran wanted to resume talks over its nuclear programme. He also stated that the hegemony of the United States was being rejected across the world and criticised its sanctions on Iran as unjust.<sup>[95]</sup>

On 17 September, protests erupted after the death of Mahsa Amini, and unrest spread all over the country.<sup>[96]</sup> President Raisi promised to set up a commission to investigate the murder, but this did not affect the protests, as law-enforcement agencies are allegedly retreating from small cities due to uncontrollable rioting.<sup>[97]</sup>

## Foreign policy

After the fall of Kabul to the Taliban, Raisi stated on 16 August that the withdrawal of American forces from Afghanistan offered a chance for stabilising the country, which Iran would support. He also called on all parties to form an inclusive government.<sup>[98]</sup> On 4 September, he urged that elections be held to elect a new Afghan government as soon as possible.<sup>[99]</sup> On 18 September, he stated that Iran will not allow establishment of any terrorist group, including the Islamic State, along its border with Afghanistan and use it for attacks on other nations. In addition, he called on Taliban to form an inclusive government.<sup>[100]</sup>

In April 2022, Raisi warned that Israel will be targeted by his country's armed forces if it makes "the slightest move" against Iran.<sup>[101]</sup> During an interview in September of that year, he denounced the Abraham Accords and called Israel a "false regime".<sup>[102]</sup> Raisi has threatened major Israeli cities, including Tel Aviv and Haifa, and stated that the only solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict is the establishment of a Palestinian state "from the river to the sea".<sup>[103]</sup>

Raisi has questioned whether the Holocaust happened.<sup>[102]</sup> During a September 19, 2022, interview on CBS's 60 Minutes, Raisi sparked significant backlash by suggesting that while there are some signs the Holocaust happened, further research is needed to investigate it. This statement was widely condemned as Holocaust denial.<sup>[103]</sup>

Raisi said that his government's priority in the meeting with Syrian President Bashar al-Assad was to strengthen strategic ties between Iran and Syria.<sup>[104]</sup>



Khamenei, Assad and Raisi, May 2022



Raisi with Russian president Vladimir Putin and Turkish president Recep Tayyip Erdogan at the Iran-Russia-Turkey summit in Tehran, July 2022

He criticized the Saudi-led blockade of Yemen and called for a ceasefire.<sup>[105]</sup>

In March 2022, according to Foreign Policy, Raisi pledged alliance in favor of Russia when the Russian invasion of Ukraine started.<sup>[106]</sup>

Negotiations with the U.S. over the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) have continued to be stalled under Raisi, with him accusing the Americans of "delaying and dragging their feet".<sup>[107]</sup>

Between 14–17 February 2023, Raisi visited China and met Chinese leader Xi Jinping. During the meeting, the two countries signed 20 cooperation agreements and agreed to boost relations.<sup>[108]</sup> Following the talks, Saudi Arabia and Iran agreed to restore diplomatic ties cut in 2016 on 10 March after a deal brokered between the two countries by China following secret talks in Beijing.<sup>[109]</sup>

Raisi praised Hamas' October 7 attacks on Israel, stating that these actions will lead to the demise of Israel.<sup>[110]</sup> He condemned Israel's actions in the Gaza Strip during the Israel–Hamas war and accused Israel of committing genocide against Palestinians in Gaza "with the support of the United States and certain European countries."<sup>[111]</sup> In January 2024, he predicted that the Israel-Hamas war would result in "Israel's destruction".<sup>[103]</sup>

Raisi canceled a trip to Geneva in December 2023 due to accusations against him regarding his role in the torture and murder of prisoners in 1988, for which he could face arrest.<sup>[112][113]</sup>



Raisi with Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida, September 2022



Raisi with Chinese president Xi Jinping in Beijing, during Raisi's state visit to China, February 2023

## Political views

Raisi was widely considered to be a hardliner in Iranian politics.<sup>[74][76]</sup> He strongly supported sex segregation. He said in a 2014 interview about a planned segregation in Tehran Municipality that "I think this is a good move because the majority of women do a better job in a totally relaxed atmosphere and fit are required."<sup>[114]</sup> He was a supporter of Islamization of universities, revision of the Internet and censorship of Western culture.<sup>[115][116][117]</sup> Raisi claimed that economic sanctions were an opportunity.<sup>[118]</sup> Raisi said: "We will have guidance patrols, but for managers." He also said: "If the government does well, the people will do well."<sup>[119]</sup> He stated that the amputation of thieves' hands, which is based on a very strict interpretation of Sharia,<sup>[120]</sup> is one of "our honours" and that such punishments will not be limited to now and will be continued in the future.<sup>[121][122]</sup> He stated that he should be honoured and esteemed for his role in the 1988 Iranian mass executions of political prisoners.<sup>[123]</sup>

Raisi was one of nine Iranian officials listed in November 2019 subjected to sanctions by the United States Department of State due to alleged human rights abuses.<sup>[124]</sup> He was sanctioned by the U.S. Office of Foreign Assets Control<sup>[125][126]</sup> in accordance with Executive Order 13876. He was accused of crimes against humanity by international human rights organizations and United Nations special rapporteurs.<sup>[127]</sup> A formal request had been made to arrest Raisi for crimes against humanity, if he attended the 2021 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Scotland.<sup>[128]</sup>

## Economy

In 2017, Raisi reported "I see the activation of a resistance economy as the only way to end poverty and deprivation in the country."<sup>[129]</sup> He supports development of the agricultural sector over commercial retail, which "will eventually benefit foreign brands."<sup>[130]</sup>

In 2017, he promised to triple the monthly state benefits, currently Rls.450,000 per citizen, in order to tackle corruption and create six million jobs.<sup>[131]</sup> He said (about sanctions against Iran): "Sanctions should be seen as an opportunity for economic empowerment, and we should strengthen ourselves instead of falling short."<sup>[132]</sup>

Raisi said in regards to the issue of lifting sanctions: "every government that takes office (to be elected), should lift the oppressive sanctions, and it must be pursued seriously; and the neutralization of sanctions should be on the agenda and we should not condition the economy; Neither the corona nor the flood nor the sanctions should have an impact."<sup>[133]</sup>

## Women's rights

In state-led media, Raisi said that "no one has the right to violate the freedom and rights of girls and women" and "it is incomplete to talk about culture and economy without the role of women". He emphasized that "women's rights are God-given, and the government should not only not lose this right, but it should also create the conditions for it to flourish" and "in many spaces, women's role-playing is empty and women's talent, creativity, initiative and innovation can be used a lot".<sup>[134][135]</sup>

Raisi signed orders creating stricter hijab restrictions for women in Iran.<sup>[136]</sup>

## Intellectuals and artists

Raisi stated: "The intellectual of the society understands before the others and watches the threats of the society, and soon warns the society with his poetry and art and saves the society from falling asleep like a muezzin." According to him, supporting the people of culture and art should not be verbal and should lead to action.<sup>[137]</sup> He said: "Teachers are the true intellectuals of society and must observe and warn of harm; teachers are the identifiers and civilizers of society."<sup>[138]</sup>

## Homosexuality

Raisi has made discriminatory remarks about homosexuality, calling same-sex relations "savagery". The Center for Human Rights in Iran asserts that this type of rhetoric exacerbates prejudice and violence against LGBTQ+ individuals in the country.<sup>[139]</sup>

## Potential successor as Supreme Leader

Raisi had been described as "a favorite and possible successor" to Iran's supreme leader, Ayatollah Ali Khamenei, by several sources.<sup>[21][140][141]</sup> In 2019, Saeid Golkar of Al Jazeera called Raisi "the most likely successor of Ayatollah Ali Khamenei" as Supreme Leader of Iran.<sup>[142]</sup> In 2020, Dexter Filkins described him as "frequently mentioned" as a successor to Khamenei.<sup>[143]</sup>

In 2024, *Time* magazine reported that both Ebrahim Raisi and Mojtaba Khamenei, Khamenei's son, were frontrunners for the position. Raisi's death in a helicopter crash in May 2024 cut short his potential candidacy.<sup>[144]</sup>

## Death



Raisi with Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi during the 15th BRICS summit in Johannesburg, South Africa, 24 August 2023

On 19 May 2024, Raisi, foreign minister Hossein Amir-Abdollahian, and several other officials were killed when Raisi's helicopter crashed near the town of Julfa on the border with Azerbaijan.<sup>[145][146]</sup> Iran's semi-official news agency, Mehr News, described them as having been "martyred in the crash."<sup>[147]</sup> Raisi is the second president of Iran to have died in office, following Mohammad-Ali Rajai, who died in a 1981 bombing.<sup>[148]</sup>

## Electoral history

Year	Election	Votes	%	Rank	Notes
2006	<u>Assembly of Experts</u>	200,906	68.6%	<b>1st</b>	Won <sup>[3]</sup>
2016	<u>Assembly of Experts</u>	▲ 325,139	▲ 80.0%	<b>1st</b>	Won <sup>[149]</sup>
2017	<u>President</u>	15,835,794	38.28%	2nd	Lost <sup>[150]</sup>
2021	<u>President</u>	▲ 18,021,945	▲ 62.90%	<b>1st</b>	Won <sup>[151]</sup>
2024	<u>Assembly of Experts</u>	▼ 275,463	▲ 82.57%	<b>1st</b>	Won



Raisi with Ilham Aliyev at the border with Azerbaijan on 19 May 2024, hours before his death

## Personal life

Raisi was married to Jamileh Alamolhoda, daughter of Mashhad Friday Prayers Imam, Ahmad Alamolhoda.<sup>[152]</sup> She is an associate professor at Tehran's Shahid Beheshti University and president of the university's Institute of Fundamental Studies of Science and Technology.<sup>[153]</sup> They had two daughters and two grandchildren.<sup>[154]</sup> One of their daughters studied at Sharif University and the other at Tehran University.<sup>[154][155]</sup>

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Among Raisi's works are as follows: The books of "Lectures on the rules of jurisprudence" including 3 volumes (in judicial, economic and religious sections); Erse-Bi-Wares (Inheritance without heirs); Conflict of principle and appearance in jurisprudence and law.<sup>[156][157]</sup>

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