





BE PREPARED

Tensions between India and Pakistan have sharply escalated after a deadly terrorist attack in Pahalgam on April 22, which killed 26 civilians. The two countries have gone to war with cross-border aerial strikes involving drones and missiles. Preparation in such a situation has become key. The Indian government has launched public safety drills to prepare citizens for potential air attacks. Here's what you need to know.




What to do when an air raid siren sounds





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The warning siren sounds like a rising and falling wail.


The siren warns of an incoming missile or airstrike — take it seriously.
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If outdoors, run to a subway or underpass — they're safer due to heavy overhead traffic.

A steady, one-minute siren means the threat is over — it's safe to come out.
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In open spaces, take shelter under a low flyover to reduce exposure.
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Inside a building? Stay away from entrances and areas with only one wall or lots of windows.
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Move to safer spots like bathrooms or under staircases — they have extra wall protection.
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Prepare an emergency kit which includes torch with extra batteries, radio, non-perishable food items, water bottles, first-aid kit, and respirator mask.

