

Video: Turkish Forces Advance Further South of Ras Al-ayn

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For several days in a row, an intense fighting is ongoing between the Syrian Army and Hayat Tahrir al-Sham near the town of Kbanah in the southern part of the Idlib de-escalation zone.

Pro-militant sources claim that the Syrian Army carried out several attempts to advance in the area, but failed and lost at least 2 battle tanks and several other pieces of military equipment. Pro-government sources say that the clashes were a result of ceasefire violations by Hayat Tahrir al-Sham and its al-Qaeda linked allies.

Artillery strikes on fortified positions of militants were also reported to the west of the M5 highway, near Jabala.



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Tensions continue growing around the Turkish-occupied town of Ras al-Ayn in northeastern Syria. Clashes between the Syrian Army and Turkish-backed forces erupted in the villages of Tal Abu Rasin, Arab Khan, Soda and Manajeer. Turkish Leopard battle tanks shelled army positions.

Up to 20 Syrian soldiers were captured by Turkish-backed forces in these clashes. At least one of them was executed on the site. Joint Turkish-Russian patrols are yet to be launched. The Russian Defense Ministry says that the Military Police conducts patrols around Manbij, Kobani, and western and east of Qamishly. The area, to the south from Ras al-Ayn, remains unsafe.

According to pro-Kurdish sources, Turkey and its proxies are aiming to capture the town of Tell Tamir. If Ankara and Moscow undertake no needed actions to put an end to the violation of the ceasefire regime, the town's countryside may turn into a battleground.

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