



## Iran's Oil Hub Kharg Island Seizure Wanted: Donald Trump



Donald Trump. Picture: Collected

U.S. President Donald Trump has spoken about the possibility of taking control of Kharg Island, Iran's main oil export hub. In an interview with the British newspaper Financial Times, he said the matter is under consideration by the United States. During the interview, Trump expressed his interest in Iran's oil resources. However, he also acknowledged that such a move could face criticism within the United States.

Regarding the potential takeover of Kharg Island, Trump stated that multiple options remain open for the U.S. He hinted that, if necessary, the United States could assume control of the island and maintain a presence there for a certain period.

Responding to a question about the island's security, Trump claimed that Iran's defenses there are not very strong and that it would be possible to take control of it easily if desired.

Iran is one of the world's leading oil-producing countries, with reserves of around 208 billion barrels—representing a significant share of global reserves. The country's economy largely depends on oil exports, a major portion of which goes to China.

Located in the Persian Gulf, Kharg Island is considered the Centre of Iran's energy trade. Nearly 90 percent of the country's crude oil and liquid gas exports pass through this island, making it strategically highly important.