JD Vance heads to Pakistan for Iran–US talks



JD Vance. Photo: CNN

US Vice President JD Vance is set to travel to Pakistan today as part of the second round of peace talks involving Iran and the United States. According to US-based media outlet Axios, he is expected to depart for Islamabad on Tuesday (April 21).

Citing three unnamed US officials, Axios reported that the visit is aimed at discussing a possible ceasefire and a broader agreement with Iran. Vance is likely to leave for Islamabad by Tuesday morning, although exact timing remains uncertain.

Some sources suggest the trip could begin later on Monday night, while others indicate a Tuesday morning departure. A direct flight from Washington to Islamabad takes around 14 hours.

Axios further stated that Iran has already given internal approval for participation in the talks, reportedly with the consent of Supreme Leader Ayatollah Mojtaba Khamenei. However, Tehran has not yet publicly confirmed its involvement.

Meanwhile, the UK-based Guardian also confirmed Vance's planned visit to Pakistan, though it did not cite specific sources.

The report added that US President Donald Trump's special envoy Steve Witkoff and his son-in-law Jared Kushner are also expected to join Vice President Vance in the negotiations.