

30 days of anxiety, a life... MAS flight MH370 goes missing

HOW DOES LOSS AFFECT YOU WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW IF YOUR MISSING LOVE

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It's what we fear most, other than our own death, the loss of a loved one. And what happens if that loss is from an unexplained disappearance?

There were 239 people on board the missing Malaysian aircraft MH370. What is the biopsychosocial impact of that?

"It's the worst kind of scenario... similar to what people experienced during 9/11," Martin Kramer, clinical psychologist at Health Call Clinic in Dubai Healthcare City, told Gulf News.

He explained that, for many of the lost family members on board those aircraft and in the World Trade Centre towers at 9/11, it took weeks to recover from the trauma.

Particularly in the case of 9/11, not only were the bodies not recovered, but the period of mourning was prolonged. "The bodies have not been found, families are still waiting for people might still be alive."

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Timeline

- 8:00 AM: Malaysia Airlines flight MH370 departs Kuala Lumpur.
- 9:00 AM: The flight is reported missing.
- 10:00 AM: Search and rescue operations begin in the South China Sea.
- 11:00 AM: Malaysian Prime Minister Najib Razak addresses the nation.
- 12:00 PM: The flight is reported to have crashed in the South China Sea.
- 1:00 PM: Search and rescue operations continue.
- 2:00 PM: The flight is reported to have crashed in the South China Sea.
- 3:00 PM: Search and rescue operations continue.
- 4:00 PM: The flight is reported to have crashed in the South China Sea.
- 5:00 PM: Search and rescue operations continue.
- 6:00 PM: The flight is reported to have crashed in the South China Sea.
- 7:00 PM: Search and rescue operations continue.
- 8:00 PM: The flight is reported to have crashed in the South China Sea.
- 9:00 PM: Search and rescue operations continue.
- 10:00 PM: The flight is reported to have crashed in the South China Sea.
- 11:00 PM: Search and rescue operations continue.
- 12:00 AM: The flight is reported to have crashed in the South China Sea.

WHAT: 677-200 aircraft flying from KL to Beijing disappears
WHERE: Near Vietnam airspace
WHEN: Yesterday morning
WHO: 227 passengers, including two infants, and 12 crew members missing
LATEST: Massive search-and-rescue operations in the South China Sea

Tears flow

Search-and-rescue efforts stepped up

Search-and-rescue efforts stepped up as the Malaysian government announced that it would be expanding its search for the missing Malaysia Airlines flight MH370. The search area was expanded to cover a larger area in the South China Sea.

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Why the late response from MAS?

Malaysian airlines and its parent company, the Malaysian Airline System (MAS), have been criticized for their slow response to the disappearance of flight MH370. The airline's initial response was to say that the plane was on its way to Beijing, but it was later reported that the plane had disappeared.

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A DECADE WITHOUT A TRACE OF MH370

Did an obsessed pilot hijack his own jet? NO TRACE OF PLANE!



CRISIS COMMUNITY: NO TRACE OF PLANE!



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Exactly 10 years ago, on the 8th of March 2014, the Beijing-Capital International Airport bound Malaysia Airlines flight MH 370 disappeared off the radar screens of Malay Air Traffic Controllers, around an hour after taking off from the airline's Kuala Lumpur hub.

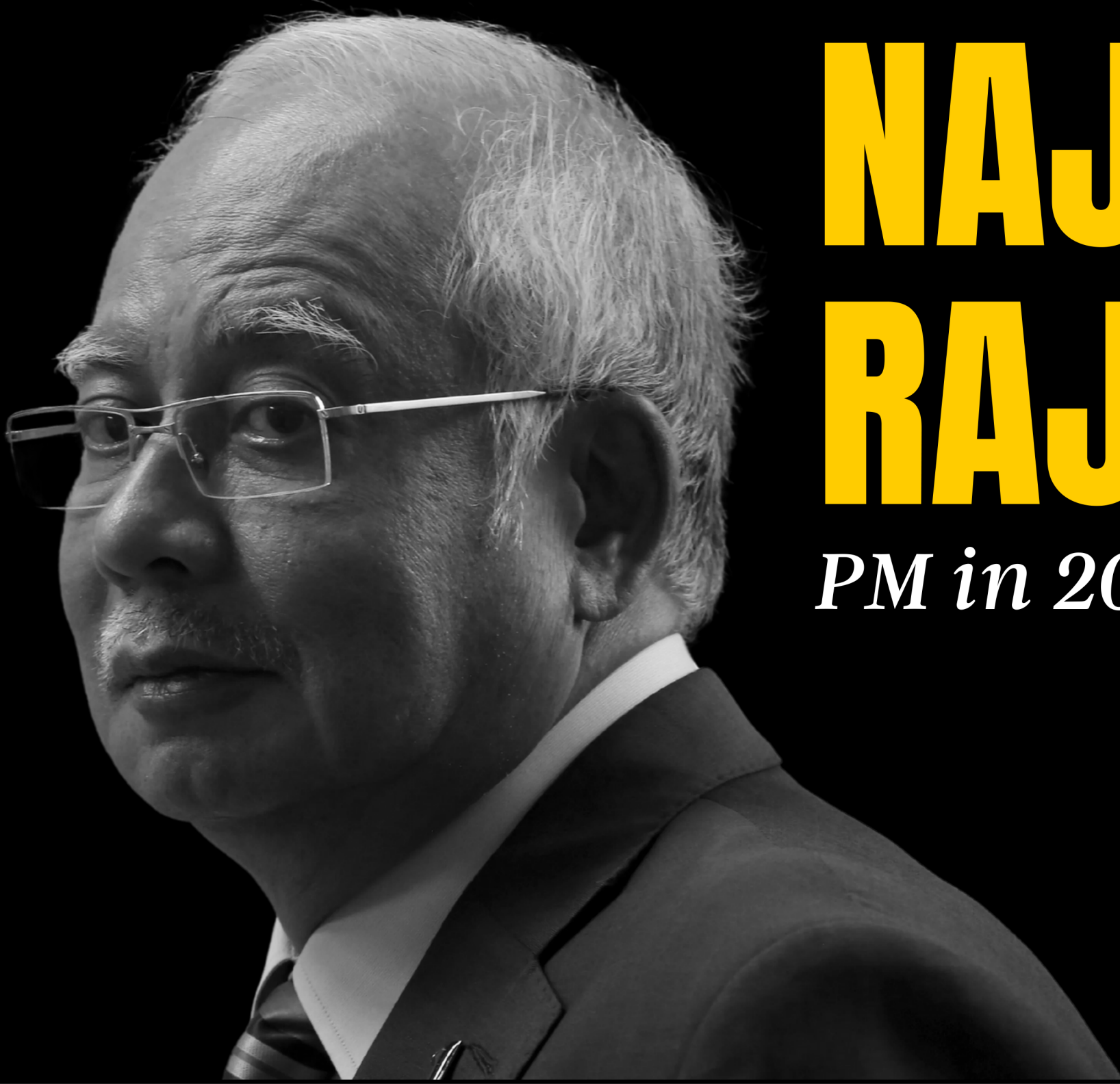
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Malaysian military radars also lost track of the flight around 2 hours after departure. The flight was, by then, off course and hurtling across the Andaman Sea. The aircraft involved was the 9M-MRO, an approximately 11.8-year-old Boeing 777-200ER.



While most of the passengers were from People's Republic of China (PRC), 227 passengers of 14 nationalities were on board - all presumed to be dead. An unsuccessful three-year-long search operation followed, with heavy involvement from Malaysia, Australia, China, and India alongside Western countries.



NAJIB RAJAK

PM in 2014

A private search operation by Texas-based Ocean Infinity in 2018 also failed to yield results; only the flaperons and other small aircraft debris have ever been recovered on the coasts of Mozambique and Réunion Island.



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The extensive deliberations in the aftermath of MH 370 eventually led to the development of the Global Aeronautical Distress and Safety System (GADSS), which compels airlines to establish an automatic reporting system on all new flights and send out regular information on their whereabouts.

THE GADS SYSTEM



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When airplane operations are compromised, Autonomous Distress Tracking (ADT) gets activated, sharply reducing the intervals to one minute. The latest deadline of UN's International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) to install the ADT is 1st of January 2025 - postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.



This particular incident is a testament to the fact that humans still have a lot of technological expertise left to achieve - the search for an aircraft with a Maximum Takeoff Weight (MTOW) of around 300 tonnes has been inconclusive even after spending approximately US \$130 Million.

MH 370

WHERE THE TRUTH LIES



THE CRY FOR TRUTH

While the families of the affected still await closure, the crash has highlighted the shortcomings of human prowess, thus indicating the future scope of progress.



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There were 239 people on board the missing Malaysian jet MH370. What is the psychological impact of that?

It's the worst kind of scenario — similar to what people experienced during 9/11," says Kirman, clinical psychologist at HealthCall Clinic in West Hollywood, Calif. "I'd say it's explained that, for many of the lost family members and those aboard and in the weeks leading up to it, it took weeks to receive news in the case of 9/11, not knowing what has happened has only served to prolong the period of mourning."

"The bodies have not been found, giving families hope that people might still be alive,"



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WHAT: 377-230 airline flight from KL to Beijing disappears
WHERE: Near Vietnam airspace
WHEN: Saturday morning
MRO: 227 passengers, including two pilots, and 12 crew members missing
LATEST: Massive search and rescue operations in the South China Sea

Why the late response from MAS?

Malaysian investigators said they were "not sure" if the plane was hijacked or crashed. The airline's initial response was to search for the plane in the South China Sea. The search was delayed because the plane was not on any flight tracking systems. The airline's initial response was to search for the plane in the South China Sea. The search was delayed because the plane was not on any flight tracking systems.

Timeline
 8:11 a.m. Flight MH370 departs Kuala Lumpur
 9:45 a.m. Last contact with the plane
 10:00 a.m. Search begins in the South China Sea
 10:30 a.m. Search area expanded to the Indian Ocean
 11:00 a.m. Search area expanded to the Southern Ocean
 11:30 a.m. Search area expanded to the Antarctic Peninsula
 12:00 p.m. Search area expanded to the South Pole



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MYSTERY OF FLIGHT MH370

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added to this are pilots at risk that could last for more than a year, as per a report on the subject.

Psychologists say families of the missing passengers should be given proper counseling and support to help them cope.



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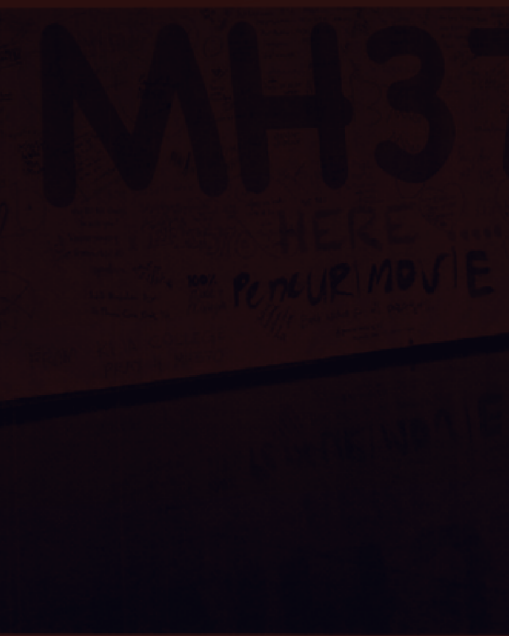
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Flight MH370 'suicide mission'

Focus on pilots as it is suggested plane was crashed deliberately

Outrage as families are finally told news by text message

TOKYO (SAs) — A massive around-the-clock air-sea search by noon Saturday had failed to find any trace of a military charter plane with 107 persons aboard that disappeared on a flight between Guam and the Philippines.

Mal J. D. Keith Clark AB, P.I information officer, said that no radio signal, such as might come from survivors afloat on life rafts, had been detected.

An armada of ships and planes began the hunt for the missing plane early Friday and continued

Unraveling the Mysteries

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