



The News

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The red alert for floods is lifted in Pas de Calais. The department switches to orange like ten other territories. On the other hand, the alert is maintained for Haute Savoie, where the Arve watercourse is particularly concerning.

At the same time in Pas de Calais, the return to normal in schools is gradually taking place. Establishments are authorized to reopen from today. Yesterday Emmanuel Macron was on site to visit the victims and the Head of State announced the creation of an emergency fund of 50 million euros.

Abroad, the Israeli army has been carrying out an operation against Hamas in the Al Chifa hospital in northern Gaza since last night. A Hamas official confirmed the presence of tanks and commandos inside the hospital. The senior official of the Hamas Ministry of Health called on the UN and the international community to intervene "immediately" to put an end to this operation.

Also in the news, the poverty rate is increasing in France. According to INSEE it has increased by 0.9 points to reach 14.5% of the population in 2021. An increase which can be explained in particular by the progression of inflation. Another factor in the increase in the poverty rate is the non-renewal of the exceptional Covid solidarity aid.

The bill "for full employment" was adopted by Parliament yesterday. The text aims to achieve, as its name indicates, full employment by the end of the five-year term, i.e. a 5% unemployment rate compared to 7% currently. To do this, the text provides for the creation of a *France Travail* network, from January 1, 2024, as well as increased support for job seekers and even a reform of RSA income.

And then today begins the sale of SNCF train tickets for the February school holidays. A sale open well in advance to allow users to organize their winter holidays. This concerns trips planned between February 10 and March 24. Remember that the winter school holidays extend from February 10 to March 11 depending on the academic zones. And travelers must hurry as it is on a first-come first-serve basis.