



Israeli Genocide in Gaza

Documentary Report (No. 3)

on the Israeli Aggression on Gaza

Covers the period from 24th to 29th of October 2023



Introduction ...

The Israeli bombardment of the Gaza Strip has turned a large part of the besieged Palestinian enclave into a pile of rubble, with people in desperate need of water and other basic necessities, amid a total blockade of the enclave.

This report, available in English and Arabic, provides daily facts and statistics about Israeli massacres in the Gaza Strip from October 24-29.

It also sheds light on the political and humanitarian consequences along with the material and human losses inflicted on the besieged enclave as a result of the unabated strikes and the non-humanitarian siege, impeding Gazans' access to humanitarian assistance.

1. Daily Scenes

Tuesday

24 October 2023

At least 400 Palestinians were killed and over 650 injured in violent Israeli strikes on the Gaza Strip since the early morning hours. The attacks targeted residential buildings in the overcrowded neighborhoods of Bani Suheila, Absan AlKabira, Absan AlJadida, Khuza'a, eastern Khan Younis, western Rafah Governorate in the south of the Gaza Strip, Hadaba area west of Deir al-Balah, and Jabalia to the north.

Border areas east of Khan Younis along with the northern corners of AlSheikh Jaber School, in Khan Younis refugee camp, have come under heavy shelling. Civilian homes and infrastructure were completely destroyed.



As a result of the relentless bombing, fires broke out as Israeli warplanes struck Al-Nuzha Street, in central Jabalia, in the northern Gaza Strip, with smoke and phosphorus bombs, resulting in scores of suffocation cases.

The Israeli occupation forces also unleashed smoke and phosphorus bombs into the airspace of the northern Gaza Strip.

The death toll of Palestinians killed by Israeli forces in the occupied West Bank since October 7 has reached 96. Over 1,836 have been left wounded.



Wednesday 25 October 2023

On the 19th day of the offensive, Israeli fighter jets continued to pummel densely-populated neighborhoods in the Gaza Strip with intense bombardment, claiming the lives of over 700 Palestinians and injuring over 1,000, mostly in Gaza city.

Several neighborhoods in AlJalaa, Yarmouk, along with central and western Gaza have come under indiscriminate shelling.

The Israeli military targeted civilian buildings with fire bolts and dropped hundreds of tons of explosives on the aforementioned areas within a short time-span. Israeli warplanes also destroyed AlTaj residential tower No. 3, in central Gaza City, and a number of adjacent houses, resulting in scores of deaths and injuries.

At least seven Palestinians were killed and dozens more injured in clashes with Israeli military in the occupied West Bank. Four Palestinians were pronounced dead and 23 injured, including five in critical condition, in a raid on Jenin Camp, where an Israeli drone discharged four missiles toward a group of Palestinians gathering near the local cemetery.



Thursday 26 October 2023

481 Palestinians were reported killed and 700 in less than 24 hours, as Israeli airstrikes have continued without respite. 300 Palestinians have been missing under the rubble of their destroyed houses.

A Palestinian child was killed and dozens injured as Israeli military troops raided Jalazone refugee camp, in the occupied West Bank, bringing the death toll since October 7 to 105.





Friday

27 October 2023

Israeli massacres in the besieged enclave have reached a zenith, with 500 Palestinians killed on Friday alone, including women and children.

Tens of thousands of Palestinians have gone homeless, having no safe shelter to hide into.

The Palestinian Health Ministry received notifications about 1,600 civilians being trapped under ruins, including over 850 children.

At the same time, Israeli state-backed settler terrorism has gone unabated in the occupied West Bank, where Israeli settlers distributed Arabic-language circulars in Deir Estia village, northwest of Salfit, about an upcoming Nakba and escalating massacres in the West Bank.

Saturday

28 October 2023



Dozens of Palestinians were reported dead and scores injured as Israeli fighter jets hit densely-populated areas in the Gaza Strip.

53 massacres were reported on that day. Fires could be seen everywhere as shelling proceeded hysterically after Israel cut off telecommunications.

The destruction of phone and internet connections has plunged Gaza into a communications blackout and created an information vacuum amid the heaviest aerial bombardment of the war so far.

A handful of reports that emerged from the enclave on Saturday depicted chaos and anguish as paramedic teams and aid agencies struggled to coordinate rescue and relief efforts and families sought news about relatives.

Already in darkness after most electricity was cut off and fuel for generators ran out, Gaza's 2.3 million people were thrown into isolation from the rest of the world.

Explosions from continuous airstrikes lit up the sky over Gaza City for hours, but the communications cutoff meant that the number of casualties from strikes and details of ground incursions could not immediately be known.

Palestinians outside Gaza have been unable to reach their relatives.

Sunday

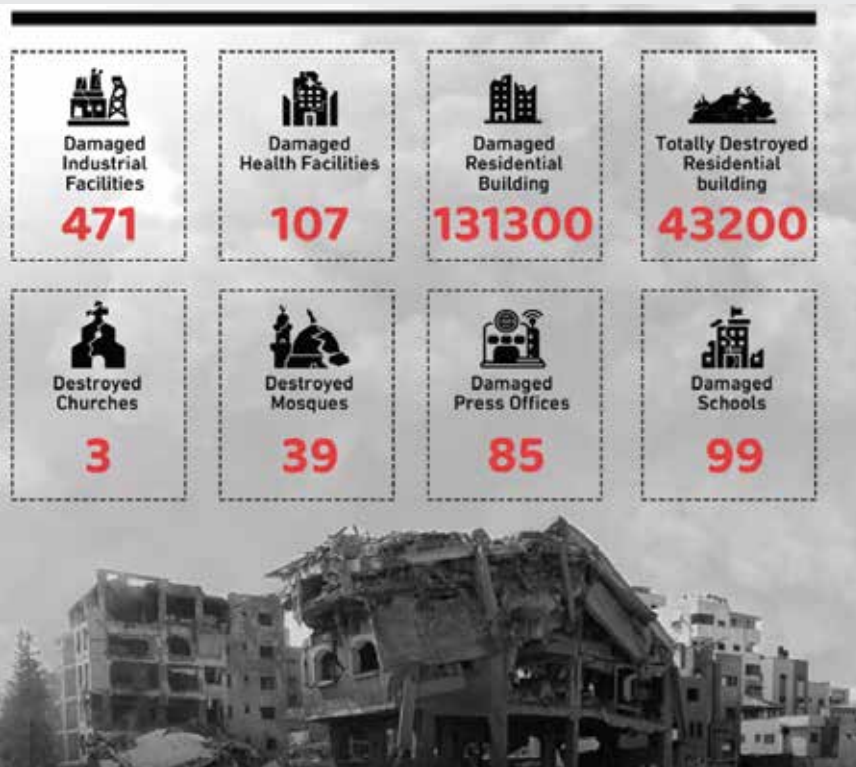
29 October 2023

Scores of Palestinians were killed in renewed Israeli aerial bombardment of the enclave, mostly in its northern and central corners.

The health facilities and ambulances have almost collapsed due to internet and communications blackout. Reports emerged about 1,800 civilians, including 1,000 children, being trapped under rubble. The death toll climbed to over 8,000 and the injured to more than 20,000.



2. Political and Humanitarian Repercussions



The massive aerial bombardment from land, air, and sea along with the communications and internet blackout has had catastrophic implications. Several health facilities run out of fuel, rendering them out of service. Civil defense crews have been unable to rescue hundreds of children and women trapped under the ruins of destroyed houses.

At least 43,200 buildings have been reduced to rubble; 131,300 buildings sustained critical damage while 107 health facilities and 471 industrial facilities have been attacked. 99 schools along with 85 press offices, 39 mosques, and three churches were destroyed.

Thomas White, Director of UNRWA Affairs in the Gaza Strip, said that after three weeks of war and a tight siege on Gaza, people are scared, frustrated and desperate. They feel that they are on their own, cut off from their families inside Gaza and the rest of the world. Tensions and fear are made worse by the cuts in the phones and internet communication lines.

UNRWA warned that Massive displacement of people from the north of the Gaza Strip southward has placed enormous pressure on those communities, adding further burden on crumbling public services. Some families received up to 50 relatives taking shelter in one household.

On Saturday, 28 October, there was no convoy due to the blackout in communications. UNRWA - the main actor for the reception and storage of aid in the Gaza Strip - was not able to communicate with the different parties to coordinate the passage of the convoy.

“The current system of convoys is geared to fail. Very few trucks, slow processes, strict inspections, supplies that do not match the requirements of UNRWA and the other aid organizations, and mostly the ongoing ban on fuel, are all a recipe for a failed system. We call for a regular and steady flow line of humanitarian supplies into the Gaza Strip to respond to the needs especially as tensions and frustrations grow,” said White.

3. Human and Material Losses and Damage in the Gaza Strip

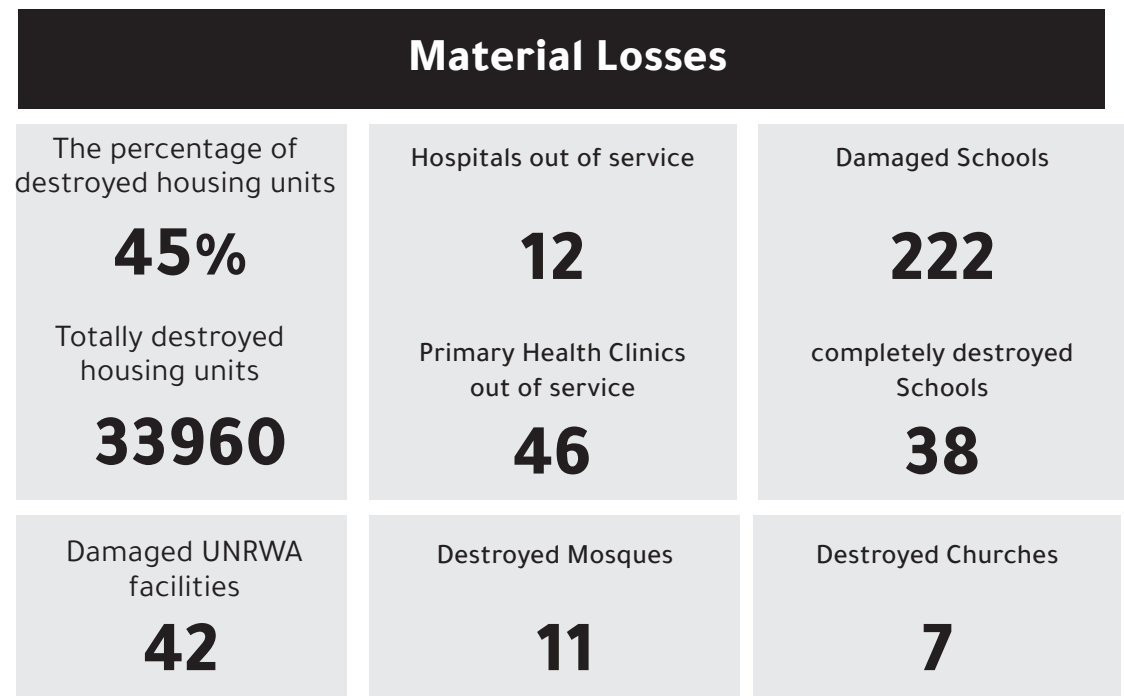
The number of victims from Oct, 7th 2023 until Oct, 29th 2023, according to the Palestinian Ministry of Health, reached 8,260 victims in the Gaza Strip and 122 victims in the West Bank, while the number of wounded reached more than 21,000 in the Gaza Strip, and about 2,050 wounded in West Bank. With regard to the Gaza Strip, the percentage of deaths among children, women and the elderly reached 73%, due to the direct targeting of Israeli raids.



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In terms of infrastructure, the percentage of destroyed housing units reached 45%, as the number of completely destroyed and uninhabitable housing units reached 33,960. With regard to the health sector, as a result of the violent bombing, 12 hospitals and 46 primary health clinics are now out of service. As for educational facilities, 222 schools were damaged, including 38 schools that were completely destroyed.


In the same context, the number of UNRWA facilities damaged by the bombing reached 42, including emergency shelters. Meanwhile, 7 churches and 11 mosques were damaged and destroyed. This is in addition to the continuing crisis of fuel shortages and outages of communications and electricity in the Gaza Strip, which leaves catastrophic effects, including the threat of putting many hospitals out of service, and impeding communication with ambulance and civil defence crews, to reach the wounded and injured in the areas that were bombed.




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