

**Documentary Report (No. 10)** 

on the Israeli Aggression on Gaza

Covers the period from 4th to 7th December 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, fuel and life-saving necessities, amid a total blockade of the enclave. Thousands of buildings, including hospitals, mosques and churches, have also been damaged or destroyed in Israel's relentless air and ground attacks on the besieged enclave.

This report, available in English and Arabic, provides daily facts and statistics about Israeli massacres in the Gaza Strip in the period between December 04-07, 2023.

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

## 1. Daily Scenes

Monday

4 December 2023

At least 349 people have been killed over the last 24 hours as a result of Israel's relentless bombing of the blockaded Gaza Strip.



Israeli military has escalated its ground offensive in southern Gaza's Khan Younis and Rafah.

Internet and communication services in Gaza have been cut off again, with the Red Crescent warning it cannot reach its teams.

The number of displaced people arriving at Nasser Medical Complex continues to increase, with new makeshift shelters being set up in the facility's car park and many people sleeping on the ground in the open.

The hospital in Khan Younis, where teams from Doctors Without Borders provide surgical care to patients with trauma and burn injuries, has also seen a constant influx of new patients, pushing its capacity to breaking point.

Palestinian health officials say Israeli forces killed five Palestinians in the occupied West Bank, including two young men in Qalqilya whose bodies have been withheld by Israeli army. The list also includes a teen who was shot dead by Israeli forces in Qalandiya refugee camp, north of occupied Jerusalem. The two other victims were killed in Sa'ir town.

Israeli forces have deployed more than 50 armored vehicles and four bulldozers as the military raids the city of Jenin and the Jenin refugee camp in the north of the West Bank. A reconnaissance plane was seen flying over the city during the raid. Several Israeli snipers were also positioned on the roofs of several houses and buildings. Several neighborhoods experienced power outages during the raid.



# Tuesday 5 December 2023



350 Palestinians have been killed in recent hours and over 1,000 others injured as Israeli military has widened its air and ground attacks on the besieged enclave. Renewed massacres have been committed by the Israeli army in Nuseirat refugee camp and Bani Suheila, among other densely-populated areas in Gaza.

Fighting intensifies in central and southern Gaza, with dozens killed in Israeli air attacks on Deir Al-Balah. UNRWA says it expects the number of displaced people in Rafah to increase to more than a million in the coming days, with tens of thousands already sleeping in the streets and aid deliveries woefully inadequate.

At least 1,248 people have been killed in 77 Israeli massacres since the Hamas-Israel war resumed on Dec. 01 following a weeklong humanitarian pause.

The death toll of Palestinians killed since Oct. 07 has hit more than 16,248, including 7,112 children and 4,885 women.

A Palestinian teen was fatally gunned down by Israeli soldiers in Qalandiya refugee camp.

### Wednesday

#### 6 December 2023

More than 400 people have been killed and 800 injured as the Israeli army intensifies its military operations in the Gaza Strip.

Ambulances and civil defense crew have neither been able to reach the injured nor rescue those trapped under rubble as Israeli tanks have cordoned off access roads.

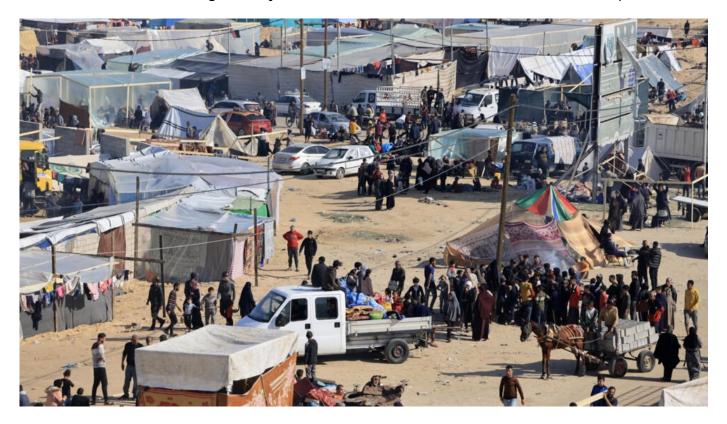
The refugee camps of Shaboura, Nuseirat, Jabalia along with the densely-populated areas in Rafah have come under heavy shelling. At least 20 Palestinians, including women and children, have been pronounced dead and dozens more injured after Israeli fighter jets struck civilian houses in Shaboura refugee camp, in Rafah city, south of the Gaza Strip.

In a live footage, civil defense crews appear to make supreme efforts to retrieve the bodies of victims and save trapped children. The attack targeted a residential apartment sheltering the Houbi family.

At the same time, dozens of civilians were killed or injured as Israeli air and ground offensives have gone unabated east and west of Gaza.

An Israeli air strike that pummeled a mosque in Al-Daraj neighborhood in Gaza city has claimed the lives of at least 12 people.

For the first time since taking up his post, UN chief Guterres invokes Article 99 to force the Security Council to address the war in Gaza, warning it "may threaten the maintenance of international peace and security".



Five Palestinians have been pronounced dead as a result of Israeli military raids across the occupied West Bank. The list includes a man in Tamoun, two in AlFar'a refugee camp (including a child), and a young man in Jenin's town of Ya'bad. Another boy succumbed to wounds inflicted by Israeli army.

## **Thursday**

7 December 2023

More than 370 people have been pronounced dead and 900 others injured as Israeli aggressions soared. Dozens of civilians have been trapped under the rubble of destroyed buildings, most of them presumed dead.

Footage shows Israeli forces detaining dozens of men in northern Gaza, with Al-Araby Al-Jadeed saying their correspondent was among those stripped and taken to an unknown location.

A child succumbed to wounds he sustained one day earlier in an Israeli raid in Jenin's Yabad town, in the occupied West Bank.



## 2. Political & Humanitarian Repercussions

The ongoing Israeli onslaught has divulged that so-called safe zones declared by Israel in Gaza do not meet the requirements of a safe zone and pose life-threatening risks to civilians. The places people evacuated to have no sufficient resources for survival, including medical facilities, water and food.

"Without water, without sanitation, without shelter, the so-called safe zones risk becoming zones of disease," UNICEF spokesperson James Elder warned in a UN press briefing in Geneva. "In the current context of the so-called safe zones, they are not scientific," Elder said and added: "They are not rational. They are not possible."

"Currently in a shelter in Gaza, there's around one toilet for 400 families. In these safe zones, there'll be no toilet, and it's tens of thousands of people," he said. "For safe zones to be safe, they must, by law, have water, food, medical supplies and shelter."

Throughout its war on Gaza, the Israeli army has repeatedly instructed Palestinians to evacuate to various areas of the Strip for their safety, only to later bomb those areas as well as evacuation routes.

"Only a ceasefire can save the children of Gaza," the UNICEF warned.

MSD warned that a hospital in Khan Younis that has been receiving multiple severely injured patients nearly every hour has seen a constant influx of new patients, pushing its capacity to breaking point.

WHO Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus said on X that the UN health agency's supplies were moved from a Khan Younis warehouse to a smaller facility in Rafah, adding that the transfer resulted in a

postponement of planned medicine deliveries to hospitals and UN health facilities in Gaza, amid widespread armed conflict and limited staff on the ground.

WHO called for a sustained and safe flow of medical aid to provide care to people in Gaza.

Liberal Canadian MP Salma Zahid urged Prime Minister Justin Trudeau to call for an immediate ceasefire to end the violence and "protect innocent lives" in Gaza.

The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) warned that the resumption of the military operation and its expansion further in southern Gaza is repeating horrors from past weeks. At least an additional 60,000 people were forced to move to already overcrowded UNRWA shelters, with more asking to be sheltered

UNRWA Commissioner-General Philippe Lazzarini said the number of civilians killed is rapidly increasing. Civilians, including men, women, children, older persons, the sick and people with disabilities are the most to suffer.

The UN official further warned that "access to water is limited, as the Israeli operation has prevented access to the largest desalination plant in Gaza that previously provided drinking water for 350,000 people."

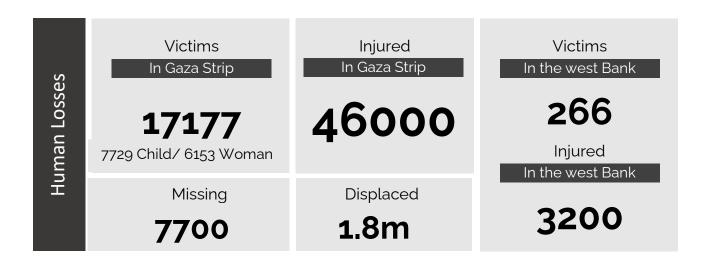
At the same time, the largest hospital in southern Gaza with over 1,000 in-patients and sheltering 17,000 displaced people may cease to operate due to lack of supplies and insufficient personnel.

UNRWA called on Israel to reopen Kerem Abu Salem and other crossings and facilitate the unconditional, uninterrupted and meaningful delivery of lifesaving humanitarian assistance. The failure to do so violates international humanitarian law.

## 3. Humanitarian Loss and Material Damage

Until Dec. 07, more than 17,177 Palestinians have been killed in the Gaza Strip, including 7,729 children and 6,153 women. The condition and whereabouts of over 7,700 others have not been identified.

The number of wounded people has reached more than 46,000.



305,000 houses and buildings in the Gaza Strip, making up 61% of the enclave's residential units, have been destroyed by the Israeli offensive.

More than 1.8 million people, or 80 per cent of the total population of Gaza, have been forced to flee their

homes. This is the largest displacement of the Palestinian people since 1948. Many Gazans have already been displaced more than once fleeing the war in other parts of Gaza.

121 government offices and 275 schools have been destroyed, including 73 schools that have gone out of operation. 21 hospitals, 110 primary

**Destroyed** Governmental Mosques residential Units Offices **197** Material Losses 305000 **121** Churches 61% of the enclave's 3 residential units **Schools Medical Sector 275** out of Services out of Services

healthcare centers, and 58 ambulances have been rendered out of service.

Israeli forces destroyed 197 mosques and churches.

The death toll in the occupied West Bank has reached 266 and the number of injured is estimated at over 3,200. The number of Palestinians detained since Oct. 07 in the West Bank has reached 3,480 while 1,132 people have been displaced.

180 Palestinian houses and structures have been demolished by the Israeli army in the West Bank.

Meanwhile, crowds of men are trying hard to rescue the survivors and retrieve the bodies of their children or relatives killed under buildings bombed by Israel, while streets are littered with mounds of rubble.

