



Israeli Genocide in Gaza  
Situation Report (No. 31)

on the Israeli Aggression on Gaza

Covers the period from 15<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024

# 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 (No. 31), available in English and Arabic, provides daily facts and statistics about Israeli massacres in the Gaza Strip in the period between March 15 and March 24, 2024.

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

Friday, March 15



Israeli attacks have claimed the lives of more than 150 people and left more than 330 others injured. Earlier, in the morning, the Gaza-based Health Ministry announced the death of 149 people and the injury of another 300 following 13 Israeli massacres committed over the past few hours.

Israeli fighter jets struck a seven-story building housing displaced people in Al-Rimel neighbourhood, in central Gaza city, resulting in multiple casualties. Five civilians have been killed as Israeli forces pummeled another building sheltering displaced persons. At least 78 people have been killed as they

awaited humanitarian aid collection near Al-Kuwait roundabout, in Gaza city. Three civilians have been reported killed and another three injured in Israeli attacks during humanitarian aid collection West of Gaza.

Israeli artilleries hit the vicinities of a UNRWA warehouse in Deir El-Balah city and a power plan north of Al-Nuseirat refugee camp, in central Gaza Strip. Footage shared online shows bodies and wounded people being brought to Al-Aqsa Hospital after Israeli forces shelled a home in the Nuseirat refugee camp. Children are among the injured in the attack.

The Israeli military carried out five separate attacks on aid distribution centres in the past 48 hours in the Gaza Strip, killing 56 people and injuring more than 300 others. A Palestinian young man succumbed to wounds he sustained on July 17, 2023 during an Israeli army incursion into the Fawar refugee camp, in the occupied West Bank.

The number of victims of Israel's policy of systematic killing in the occupied West Bank since Oct. 7 has reached 434 and the injured 4,700.

## Saturday, March 16

70 people have been reported killed and 120 injured up until Thursday evening. In its morning briefing, the Health Ministry reported 63 deaths and 112 injuries following seven Israeli massacres. The death toll has climbed to 31,553 and the injured 73,546.

Israeli attacks on the Nuseirat refugee camp killed at least 36 people, mostly women and children, from the same family. A number of casualties have been reported as Israeli forces opened fire at a group of civilians awaiting humanitarian aid in the Kuwait roundabout, in Gaza city. A number of apartments have been razed to the ground in the Qarara area, east of Khan Younis, after they were bombed by Israeli warplanes.



Late Saturday evening attacks in Deir El-Balah in central Gaza killed at least 12 people and wounded many more, including children. A Palestinian man from Al-Khalil was fatally gunned down by Israeli live fire, bringing the West Bank's death toll to 435.

## ■ Sunday, March 17

PRC has received reports about the death of 94 people and the injury of 150 others until Sunday evening. In its morning update, the Health Ministry said 92 people have been killed and 130 injured following nine Israeli massacres. The death toll has increased to 31,645 and the injured to 73,676.

Israeli artilleries targeted makeshift tents set up for the displaced in Mawasi Al-Qarara, northwest of Khan Yunis, south of the Strip. Shelling targeted areas in the south and northeast of Khan Yunis as well as in the north of Rafah city.



## ■ Monday, March 18

Israeli air and ground attacks have left at least 100 people dead and more than 180 others injured. In its morning update, the Gaza Health Ministry reported 81 deaths and 116 injuries in eight Israeli massacres committed over the past few hours.

The number of victims from the Israeli offensive on Gaza has increased to 31,726 and the injured to 73,792.



The Israeli forces escalated military attacks on Al-Shifaa Hospital in Gaza city, resulting in casualties and heavy material damage. A number of displaced and injured people have also been arrested.

An Israeli attack on several homes and an apartment in the southern Gaza city of Rafah killed at least six people and left others injured. The Palestine Red Crescent said they have recovered the body of a dead child in the Al-Sawarha area, in central Gaza, following an Israeli attack on a home. A search for survivors is ongoing.

The UNICEF said a large number of trucks carrying food, water and other life-saving supplies are stuck behind the Gaza border and unable to get in, even as infants are dying of starvation.



## Tuesday, March 19

Israeli onslaughts have claimed the lives of nearly 150 people and injured another 200 up until Tuesday evening. Earlier, in the morning, the Gaza Health Ministry reported the death of 93 people and the injury of 142. The death toll has climbed to 31,819 and the injured to 73,934.

The Israeli military raided Al-Shifaa hospital and carried out extra-judicial executions against civilians sheltering in the facility. Dozens of displaced people have also been detained.



27 people have been killed in an Israeli bombing of a house for the displaced in Al-Nuseirat refugee camp, in central Gaza. Medics said rescue operations were still under way as some victims were believed to be trapped under the rubble of the three-floor building. A strike in the nearby Bureij camp killed eight people, including three women.

Nuseirat and Bureij are among several dense, built-up refugee camps in Gaza that date back to 1948, when an estimated 700,000 Palestinians fled or were driven from their homes in what is now Israel. Nuseirat and Bureij are among several dense, built-up refugee camps in Gaza that date back to 1948, when an estimated 700,000 Palestinians fled or were driven from their homes in what is now Israel.

The Israeli military attacked the tribal civil committees responsible for securing humanitarian aid near the Kuwait Roundabout, south of Gaza City, resulting in 30 deaths and dozens of injuries. Two people were killed in an Israeli strike on an aid distribution centre in Jabalia, north of the Gaza Strip.

Israeli soldiers shot dead two Palestinians in the occupied West Bank cities of Jenin and Nablus, bringing the West Bank's death toll since Oct. 7 to 437.



## Wednesday, March 20



Hostilities have continued unabated and aid deliveries remain woefully insufficient to address the humanitarian catastrophe. PRC has documented the death of 110 people and the injury of 150 up until Wednesday evening. Earlier, the Health Ministry reported 104 victims and 162 injuries following 10 Israeli massacres committed in less than 24 hours. The death toll has gone up as high as 31,923 and the injured 74,096.



Israeli forces escalated attacks on healthcare facilities, resulting in homes burned to a crisp near Al-Shifaa Hospital and the death of an injured man at Shuhadaa Al-Aqsa Hospital after the facility run out of oxygen. Two people were killed near Dar Es-Salam Hospital, north of Bani Suheila town, in Khan Younis city.

27 displaced people have been reported killed so far from an Israeli massacre in Al-Nuseirat refugee camp, in central Gaza Strip. Palestinians displaced from Al-Shifa Hospital said they were stripped naked and interrogated by the Israeli army, while some were shot and others detained.



Israeli drones fatally gunned down three Palestinians from the Jenin refugee camp, in the occupied West Bank, following a large-scale military raid, bringing the West Bank's death toll since the beginning of the onslaught to 440 and the number of the injured to 4,700.

## Thursday, March 21

PRC has received reports about the death of 155 people and the injury of 200 until Thursday evening, as Israel's offensive has escalated. In their morning briefing, the enclave's health authorities announced the death of 65 people and the injury of 92 as a result of seven Israeli massacres.

The death toll has hit 31,988 and the number of the injured reached 74,188. Israeli fighter jets struck the vicinities of Shuhadaa Al-Aqsa Hospital while heavily-armed troops raided the facility and forced displaced people and patients out at gunpoint. The Israeli army's raid on Al-Shifa Hospital in Gaza City is now in its fourth day. The Gaza media office said 13 patients have recently died at Al-Shifa Hospital after the Israeli army deprived them of medicine, oxygen and food.

In the occupied West Bank, Israeli military raids have claimed the lives of eight Palestinians in the cities of Tulkarem, Ramallah and Al-Bireh, Al-Khalil, Jenin, and Jericho. The West Bank's death toll since Oct. 7 has reached 448.



## Friday, March 22

PRC has received reports about the death of 85 people and the injury of 120 until Friday evening. In a statement issued early in the morning, the enclave's Health Ministry said 82 people have been killed and 110 injured following nine Israeli massacres. The death toll has risen to 32,070 and the number of the injured to 74,298.

The Israeli military attacked Al-Shifaa Hospital and set fire to the vascular surgery department. Dozens of medics and paramedics have been arrested while treating patients. Israel's military's siege of Al-Shifa Hospital continued into a fifth day with more than 160 people killed and 600 arrested during the operation, including medical staff.

Israeli soldiers shot dead a Palestinian young man from Deir Ibzi' village, in the central occupied West Bank city of Ramallah. Another young man succumbed to wounds he sustained a few months earlier in an Israeli military in Nablus city. The West Bank's death toll has climbed to 450.

## Saturday, March 23

80 people have been pronounced dead and 120 injured until the evening hours. The Health Ministry reported 72 deaths and 114 injuries in the morning following seven Israeli massacres. The death toll stands at 31,142, with 74,412 wounded.

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The Israeli military killed 19 Palestinians when it fired on aid seekers at Kuwait Roundabout in Gaza City, which according to a rights group means it has killed 560 people in incidents involving aid trucks so far. Israeli artilleries have pummeled Al-Shifaa Hospital, in central Gaza, even as patients are dying inside the besieged facility, parts of which have been blown up by the Israeli military. Heavy shelling has also targeted the vicinities of the European Hospital in Khan Younis city.

## ☐ Sunday, March 24

Sunday's death toll has been estimated at no less than 95. In its morning briefing, the Gaza Health Ministry reported 84 deaths and 106 injuries following eight Israeli massacres. The death toll has now hit 32,226, with 74,518 wounded. An Israeli assault on Al-Shifaa Hospital claimed the lives of five people who have been sheltering and/or receiving treatment at the facility.

The Israeli military also laid siege to al-Amal Hospital in Khan Younis, killing several and surrounding it with tanks, forcing people to evacuate. The Palestine Red Crescent has posted footage on its X account showing the arrival of wounded people at a hospital in Deir El-Balah. The group said it brought 10 injured people from al-Qarara, north of Khan Younis.



## 2. Political and Humanitarian Repercussions

The UN's children agency said the malnutrition crisis in Gaza is shocking, especially when desperately needed assistance has been at the ready just a few miles away: "We have repeatedly attempted to deliver additional aid and we have repeatedly called for the access challenges we have faced for months to be addressed". "Instead, the situation for children is getting worse by each passing day. Our efforts in providing life-saving aid are being hampered by unnecessary restrictions, and those are costing children their lives," said Catherine Russell, UNICEF executive director.

About 28 percent of children under two years old suffer from acute malnutrition, and more than 10 percent have "severe wasting", the most life-threatening form of malnutrition. UN's children agency also said 31 percent, or one in three kids under the age of two in northern Gaza are now suffering from acute malnutrition, a "staggering escalation" from 15.6 percent in January.

UN Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator Martin Griffiths also said "famine is imminent in Gaza". He said more than one million Palestinians are at risk because they have been cut off from aid, markets have collapsed and fields have been bombed: "The international community should hang its head in shame for failing to stop this," he said on X. "I renew my call to the Israeli authorities to allow complete and unfettered access for humanitarian goods."

According to a World Bank food security report, famine is imminent for Palestinians in the northern Gaza Strip and is projected to affect adults and children between now and May: "The situation in the Gaza Strip has reached catastrophic levels," it warned.

Roughly 1.11 million people, or half of the Gaza Strip's population, are in Phase 5 of the IPC Food Insecurity Scale - known as the "Catastrophe Phase" of extreme food shortages and unable to meet basic needs. Virtually all households skip meals daily and a significant portion of children under two are suffering from acute malnutrition, the report states. It recommends "restoring humanitarian access, curbing hostilities, and ensuring the safe delivery of aid to the population in need".

The World Health Organization (WHO) said the Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) report about famine in Gaza shows in detail what the organisation and other aid groups have been witnessing and reporting for months: "WHO and partners have been carrying out high-risk missions to deliver medicines, fuel and food for health workers and their patients, but our requests to deliver supplies are often blocked or refused", it said in a statement. "When our missions reach hospitals, we meet exhausted and hungry health workers who ask us for food and water."

The Geneva-based Euro-Mediterranean Human Rights Monitor released a report that refutes Israel's account of the latest "flour massacre" at the Kuwaiti Roundabout where dozens of Palestinian aid seekers were killed. The Israeli military claimed Palestinian gunmen initiated the carnage and released drone footage of a man shooting. But the rights group said it has evidence that goes against the allegations.

It said the shooting video appears to have taken place close to the Dawla Roundabout, which is roughly 2km (1.2 miles) away from the attack on Thursday. Bullets found in the bodies of the dead and wounded were NATO-issued and discharged from Israeli weapons. The evidence is consistent with a similar event in late February in which 110 Palestinians were killed, the group said.

The rights monitor also said in a separate report that the Israeli military has killed at least 560 and injured 1,523 other Palestinians in incidents involving aid trucks amid its war on Gaza. The casualty tolls comprise Palestinian civilians who were

awaiting humanitarian aid amid Israeli-imposed starvation, in addition to aid workers, and Palestinians responsible for aid protection and distribution. "Israel uses hunger as a standalone war crime," the rights group said.

Dominic Allen, the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) representative for Palestine, said the true depth of the crisis and unfolding "nightmare" in northern Gaza cannot be captured with pictures. He told reporters via video conference how he saw a five-year-old Palestinian boy, with his slightly older sister, holding up a white flag as they walked toward a military checkpoint operated by the Israeli military: "These stories, these images, perhaps don't do enough of a good job in helping to paint a picture of the tragedy and catastrophe that is happening right now in Gaza," he said

Germany warned Israel against a military offensive on Rafah where about 1.5 million Palestinian civilians are currently sheltering: "A large-scale offensive in Rafah cannot be justified," German Foreign Minister Annalena Baerbock said on social media platform X. "Over a million displaced people have sought refuge there, they have nowhere to go. A humanitarian ceasefire is needed immediately so no more people die and the hostages are finally released," she said.

Despite growing international pressure, Israel's government announced on Friday its plans for a military offensive in Gaza's southernmost city of Rafah were authorised by the war cabinet.



The Elders, a group of global leaders founded by Nelson Mandela, said US President Biden should stop arming Israel in an effort to stop the war on Gaza, instead of focusing on sending limited amounts of aid to the besieged enclave: “The United States can influence Israel by not continuing to provide arms. It has provided a lot of the arms, bombs and other arms that have been used on the Palestinian people, and [Biden] is continuing to do that. He’s also providing money,” said Mary Robinson, chairwoman of the organisation. “This government of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is on the wrong side of history completely.”

Amnesty International called on US President Joe Biden to call for a ceasefire and stop arms sales to Israel, saying that US-made munitions have killed many of the more than 30,000 fatalities in Gaza. Human Rights Watch called on the international community to impose sanctions on Israel for its failure to comply with the International Court of Justice’s order to take provisional measures in Gaza to prevent genocide of the Palestinian people.

South Africa accused Israel of setting a precedent for some world leaders to defy the top UN court as it again alleged a campaign of “mass starvation” in Gaza. Foreign Minister Naledi Pandor said Israel defied a January ruling by the International Court of Justice to prevent “acts of genocide” during its bloody war: “The provisional measures have been entirely ignored by Israel,” Pandor said at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in Washington, DC. “We’re seeing mass starvation now and famine before our very eyes. I think we, as humanity, need to look at ourselves in horror and dismay and to be really worried that we have set an example.”

The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) denounced the US government’s “complicity in the starvation” of Palestinians in Gaza.

“Innocent civilians in Gaza are being starved to death as part of the Israeli government’s genocidal campaign. This atrocity has been enabled by the Biden administration’s utter inability to stand up to what it claims is our nation’s ‘greatest ally,’” said

CAIR's national executive director, Nihad Awad. "We urge the Biden administration to immediately change course and demand an end to Israel's siege and an immediate ceasefire."

The European Union called for "an immediate humanitarian pause leading to a sustainable ceasefire" in the Gaza Strip during a gathering of the European Council. Council President Charles Michel said in a post on X this represents a "strong and unified statement" by European leaders: "Full and safe humanitarian access into Gaza is essential to provide the civilian population with life-saving assistance in a catastrophic situation in Gaza."

Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, head of the World Health Organization, described the "utterly inhumane" conditions inside the Israeli-besieged Al-Shifa Hospital in central Gaza. The information was relayed by a physician trapped in the facility. 50 health workers and 143 patients have been kept in one building since the second day of the raid with extremely limited food, water and only one non-functional toilet; Patients are in critical condition, many lying on the floor. Three patients are in need of intensive care. Two patients on life support died because of a lack of electricity; No basic medical supplies, no dressings for wounds, and no medicine is available; Health workers, who are concerned about their own safety, have requested urgent patient referrals to other hospitals.

UN special rapporteurs decried underreporting of sexual violence against Palestinian civilians, as accounts of sexual violence against Palestinian women in Gaza are coming out. Two women special rapporteurs of the UN said the issue is underreported and undervalued.

Reem Alsalem, the UN special rapporteur on violence against women and girls, said in a post on X that it is "abhorrent" that reports of rape by Israeli forces keep coming out without any consequences: "Rape and other forms of sexual violence can constitute war crimes, crimes against humanity or a constitutive act with respect to genocide! It must stop!"



Francesca Albanese, the UN special rapporteur on the occupied Palestinian territory, also said: “I lost count of how many renowned journalists interviewed me on the alleged mistreatment of/sexual abuse against Palestinian women by Israeli forces, and never published any article on this”.

### 3. Human Loss and Material Damage

Israel’s onslaught on the besieged Gaza Strip has been described as one of the most brutal military campaigns in modern history, with more than 32,226 people killed, including 14,280 children and 9,340 women. 74,518 people have been left injured and 7,000 are missing under the rubble of destroyed homes and buildings. More than 2,848 massacres have been committed by the Israeli army in the period under examination.

More than 85% percent of Gaza’s population are displaced and have been forced to flee their homes and shelters after more than five months of the war. The list of victims includes 364 medics and paramedics, 48 civil defense staff members, and 133 journalists.



Israeli occupation forces kidnapped and detained 269 medics and paramedics from the Gaza Strip along with 12 journalists. Since the start of the war on Oct. 7, as many as 4,000 Palestinians have been arrested by Israel.

At least 32 hospitals and 53 health centres on the blockaded Strip have been rendered out of service. Over 158 healthcare facilities have been targeted by Israeli military. Israeli forces also destroyed 126 ambulances.

Around 60,000 pregnant women in the Gaza Strip suffer from dehydration, malnutrition and lack of proper health care; About 5,000 pregnant women in the Gaza Strip give birth every month in harsh, unsafe and unhealthy conditions as a result of bombing and displacement.

The ongoing Israeli atrocities in Al-Shifa Medical Complex have resulted in the deaths of over 200 Palestinians, including civilians. Many have been deliberately killed or executed extrajudicially after arrest.

The Geneva-based Euro-Med Human Rights Monitor said what the Israeli military is doing at the Al-Shifa Hospital and surrounding areas in Gaza “reflects a pattern of systemic violence”. The group noted that Israeli forces are detaining medical staff, including doctors and nurses, inside the hospital in Gaza City and preventing them from providing lifesaving care to patients and injured civilians.

Israeli air and ground onslaughts on the Gaza Strip totally destroyed 168 government facilities along with 100 schools and universities while partially damaging 305 schools and universities. 224 mosques and three churches were razed to the ground while 290 others sustained massive damage.

The Palestinian Ministry of Foreign Affairs said Ramadan in the Gaza Strip this year is “unlike the holy month in previous years or anywhere else in the world”, especially in light of the destruction of all aspects of life in the Gaza Strip, including dozens of mosques.

Nearly 70,000 housing units have been completely razed to the ground; 295,000 units have been partially damaged and made uninhabitable. Israeli attacks destroyed 200 historical sites. Israeli forces dropped more than 90,000 tons of explosives on the Gaza Strip.

At least 450 Palestinians have been killed in Israeli military raids across the occupied West Bank since Oct. 7. Up to 4,750 people have been wounded.

Israeli army incursions have led to the displacement of more than 3,013 Palestinians from their homes and the demolition of more than 637 structures.

Attacks on Palestinians by Israeli settlers across the West Bank have surged to new heights since October 7. The Israeli army has been regularly storming Palestinian towns in the West Bank amid an uptick in settler violence.

Material Losses

Destroyed residential Units

**70000**

Completely Destroyed  
295,000 units have been partially damaged

Mosques

**224**

Churches

**3**

Completely Destroyed

Medical Sector

**32**

Hospitals  
out of Services

**53**

Health Center  
out of Services

**126**

Ambulance  
out of Services

Government offices


**168**

Educational Facilities


**100**

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