



Situation Report #25: Occupied Palestine

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The Government Communication Center at the Prime Minister's Office issues the Situation Report once a week. The next Situation Report will be issued on 24 February 2025.

Key Developments

HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PALESTINIANS IN GAZA AT RISK OF COLD

The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees ([UNRWA](#)) said that displaced families in the Gaza Strip continue to suffer as they return to their destroyed homes. On Friday, UNRWA explained that heavy rains and strong winds in the Gaza Strip put hundreds of thousands of displaced Palestinians at risk of cold. Overcrowded shelters leave many vulnerable and without protection. UNRWA emphasized the urgent need to expand [humanitarian aid](#) to address significant needs. In a recent development, health sources reported yesterday that hospitals in Gaza, particularly in the north, are facing a [critical shortage of oxygen](#), which is threatening patients' lives due to the occupation authorities preventing its entry.

ISRAEL, THE OCCUPYING POWER, RELEASES 369 PALESTINIAN PRISONERS

On Saturday, the occupation authorities released the [sixth batch of Palestinian prisoners](#). The **369** released prisoners include **36** prisoners serving life sentences and **333** Palestinians from Gaza, who were arrested after 7 October 2023. [Of the released 36 prisoners serving life sentences, 24 prisoners were deported](#). Before their release, the occupation authorities forced all the prisoners to wear white [T-shirts emblazoned with the "Star of David" and the phrase "We will not forget, and we will not forgive."](#)

NEW REPORT: HORRIFIC TESTIMONIES FROM GAZA DETAINEES

A [new report](#) by the Palestinian Prisoners' Society and the Commission of Detainees' Affairs lists the systematic abuse against Palestinian detainees from Gaza, one and a half years since the start of the Israeli genocide in Gaza, which has so far led to the martyrdom of 37 detainees from Gaza – a total of 58 martyred prisoners since 7 October 2023. Testimonies of detainees mention brutal mistreatment during arrest and transfer to Israeli prisons, including torture, starvation, and medical negligence. The testimonies speak of brutal beatings, forced confessions, and prolonged isolation, some suffering from untreated scabies and other illnesses. The report highlights the dire conditions in specific prisons, including the "Sde Teiman" military camp. It states that the number of Gaza detainees is



unknown due to the "widespread crime of enforced disappearance," with thousands estimated to be held in various military camps. As of February 2025, according to [data](#) provided by the "Israel Prison Service" to the Israeli human rights organization Hamoked, 9,846 Palestinians remain in Israeli custody, excluding Palestinian detainees from Gaza who were arrested after 7 October 2023.

ISRAEL'S FORCED DISPLACEMENT OF PALESTINIANS IN NORTHERN WEST BANK

For the 28th consecutive day, the IOF continues its aggression against [Jenin](#) and its refugee camp. So far, this has resulted in the martyrdom of 25 Palestinians, numerous injuries, and widespread destruction of infrastructure and property. In [Tulkarem](#) city and its two refugee camps, Israeli aggression continues for the 22nd consecutive day. The IOF is seizing several homes and converting them into military barracks after forcing out their residents. Moreover, the IOF withdrew last Wednesday from the [Al-Far'a refugee camp](#) south of Tubas after an aggression that lasted ten days. During this time, it displaced at least [200 families](#) from their homes and caused significant destruction of infrastructure and citizens' property. It is estimated that [40,000 Palestinian refugees have been displaced](#) from refugee camps in the northern West Bank. The IOF detained at least [380 Palestinians](#).

PRESIDENTIAL DECREE-LAW TO RECONSTRUCT THE SOCIAL WELFARE SYSTEM

President Mahmoud Abbas issued a [decree law](#) revoking the articles contained in the laws and regulations related to the system of paying financial allowances to the families of prisoners, martyrs, and the wounded, in the Prisoners' Law and the regulations issued by the Council of Ministers and the Palestine Liberation Organizations. Under the decree law, the computerized cash assistance program, its database, and financial allocations—local and international—will be transferred from the Ministry of Social Development to the Palestinian National Foundation for Economic Empowerment.

NEW ISRAELI BILLS DEFYING INTERNATIONAL LAW

In a preliminary reading, the Knesset approved [a bill to replace the term "West Bank" with "Judea and Samaria"](#) in official Israeli documents. The bill's preamble argues confusingly that the term "West Bank" reflects a "colonialist perspective," dismissing the historical and national rights of the people of Palestine, along with international law and numerous UN resolutions. Additionally, the Israeli government is advancing [two bills aimed at preventing the documentation and disclosure of Israeli war crimes](#). One would impose prison sentences on those who share information about them with the International Criminal Court in The Hague. The other would instruct Israel's Supreme Court to disregard petitions submitted by human rights organizations receiving donations from foreign countries.



Summary

Since the onset of Israel's genocidal aggression on Gaza, the IOF has killed **48,271** Palestinians and wounded **111,693** more.¹ Since the ceasefire agreement took effect on 19 January 2025, at least [118 Palestinians have been killed](#), including 92 due to direct Israeli attacks. Others succumbed to injuries or lost their lives because of unexploded ordnance. Furthermore, 641 bodies, including 197 unidentified victims, have been retrieved from under the rubble. A study by the [Palestinian Olympic Committee](#) revealed that during Israel's genocidal aggression against Gaza, the Football Association lost 250 members, the Scouts and Guides Association lost 51 members, along with 259 martyrs from sports federations and veteran players—a total of 560 martyrs.



Figure 1: Gaza Strip

In the occupied West Bank, incl. Jerusalem, since 7 October 2023, the IOF has killed **911** Palestinians, incl. **180** children, and injured at least **6,700** others⁴. Yesterday, the IOF raided [Nablus Old City](#), injuring at least 12 civilians, including an elderly man and children.



[Journalists Syndicate](#): Seven journalists were martyred in 110 crimes and violations committed by the Israeli occupation in January 2024

Figure 2: West Bank⁵ | 10 February – 16 February 2025 (until 8 AM)

¹ [Wafa](#) - Last updated on 16 February 2025.

² UNOCHA, [Reported Impact Snapshot| Gaza Strip](#), 11 February 2025.

³ Ibid. UNOCHA noted that "two hospitals in Gaza city were merged into one facility."

⁴ [PCBS](#) - Last updated on 11 February 2025 at 21:00

⁵ [NAD's Palestinian Monitoring Group](#) | The same incident may result in multiple attacks.



In Focus

In a press release issued yesterday, the Palestinian Prisoners' Society and the Commission of Detainees' Affairs held the "Ofer" prison administration fully responsible for the fate of thousands of prisoners following the announcement of the prisons' administration about a [large-scale repression operation against Palestinian prisoners](#) in this prison. The Commission of Detainees' Affairs explained in a previous report that [young prisoners](#) suffer from brutal beatings, cold, starvation, and illness in "Megiddo" Prison and "Al-Maskobiya" Detention Center. After visiting some prisoners in "Megiddo" prison, the Commission's lawyer reported that many suffer from severe cold, as there are no warm or sufficient clothes, and some only have half a blanket. As for food, the prison administration provides one rice plate for 10 prisoners. Every two days, prison guards choose a room to suppress the young prisoners in, beating them continuously. In a room quarantined together with several other prisoners suffering from scabies, one prisoner said the prison administration did not provide him with treatment. The prisoner reported that when he asked for treatment, he was beaten and isolated in a cell for 6 days. Prison guards also unleashed a dog into the room and beat and assaulted the prisoners. In the case of two other prisoners, investigators employed intimidation, threats, and assault to coerce them into confessing to throwing stones in order to avoid being transferred to administrative detention if they did not.

Government Update

During a conversation with Christiane Amanpour at the [Munich Security Conference](#), Prime Minister Dr. Mohammad Mustafa highlighted that the most urgent humanitarian issue facing the Palestinian people in Gaza is the critical need for temporary shelter, which Israel is currently not allowing. He said that rebuilding Gaza "is a huge task (...), but it's a must," noting that the Palestinian Government began its first major project three days ago, allocating a budget of 80 million USD to repair some damaged housing units and clear debris from various roads in Gaza. In response to plans aimed at forcibly displacing the Palestinian people from Gaza, Dr. Mustafa asserted: "Our people are determined to stay in their homes," and "we are determined to rebuild our country," confirming that the Palestinian Government has the plans to rebuild Gaza in three years' time; "to bring Gaza back to a situation where it's livable and most people will have at least temporary shelter." The Prime Minister explained that the Palestinian leadership continues to be committed to the two-State solution and is working with the international community toward the achievement of the Palestinian right to self-determination in an independent state, adding: "We should focus on solving the root problem."