



Situation Report #38: 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 2 June 2025.

Key Developments

DAY 598: ISRAEL'S ONGOING GENOCIDE AGAINST GAZA

The Gaza Strip is witnessing an unprecedented humanitarian catastrophe. Last Monday, [OHCHR](#) said, "Israel is inflicting conditions of life on Palestinians increasingly incompatible with their continued existence in Gaza as a group." It noted that the pattern of Israeli attacks on displaced people's tents, residential buildings, and overcrowded hospitals indicates "little, if any, care is being taken to protect the lives of civilians in Gaza," adding that reports about "the use of weapons with wide area effects suggest deliberate, indiscriminate attacks." [Displacement tents have been bombed in at least 55 incidents since 1 May 2025](#), at a rate of two incidents per day. [UNOSAT's](#) latest comprehensive damage assessment revealed that 174,526 structures were damaged in Gaza, 68% of which were destroyed or severely damaged, leaving 53,466,870 tons of debris that will require 22 years to remove at a cost exceeding US\$1 billion. Moreover, compounded by a severe fuel shortage, the [water and sanitation sector](#) is on the brink of collapse, with 65% of its facilities damaged, including 72% of desalination plants, 83% of water reservoirs, 61% of wells, and 64% of wastewater pumping stations. According to [UNOCHA](#), as of 20 May 2025, 81% of the Gaza Strip is located within Israeli military zones or subject to displacement orders. The Israeli military has issued 29 displacement orders since 18 March, covering an area of 197.7 km², resulting in the displacement of approximately 599,100 people (29% of the population) again, including 161,000 people displaced between 15 - 21 May, many of whom fled without their belongings.

ISRAEL'S SYSTEMATIC ATTACKS AGAINST THE HEALTH SECTOR IN GAZA

Between 13 and 20 May 2025, the Israeli occupation intensified its [attacks on hospitals and health facilities in Gaza](#). In describing the current "most difficult and dangerous conditions," Dr. Mohammed Salha, director of Al-Awda Hospital in northern Gaza, said that people are dying because the basic necessities to save them are unavailable. He noted that the hospital was bombed 18 times in 19 months, rendering half of its beds inoperable. Intense Israeli assaults have damaged other hospitals in Gaza that are facing total collapse, including the European and the Indonesian, causing several health facilities to suspend operations. Israel's targeted attacks against health facilities in Gaza have worsened an already struggling health system, denying patients essential medical care, including life-saving treatments.



ISRAEL'S STARVATION WEAPON KILLS 58 PALESTINIANS

Medical sources at the Al-Ahli Arab Baptist Hospital announced on Saturday the death of 4-year-old Mohammed Yassin due to malnutrition, amid the occupation's continued blockade and starvation policy in its ongoing genocide in Gaza. This brings the total number of [deaths from malnutrition to 58 citizens, along with 242 others who died from a lack of food and medicine](#), most of whom are elderly and children, during the 80 days of the Israeli blockade. The Israeli occupation continues to close the crossings, causing aid to pile up on the border since 2 March, which has pushed Gaza into a state of famine. [UNRWA's Commissioner-General Philippe Lazzarini](#) described the arriving aid as a mere "needle in a haystack," stressing that Gaza continues to suffer from a catastrophic humanitarian and relief crisis.

ISRAEL KILLS DR. ALA AI-NAJJAR'S NINE CHILDREN: YAHYA, RAKAN, RASLAN, JUBRAN, EVE, RIFAN, SAYDIN, LUQMAN, AND SIDRA

While [Dr. Ala' Al-Najjar](#) was on duty at Nasser Hospital, an Israeli missile struck the Al-Najjar children and their father, Dr. Hamdi Al-Najjar, while they were inside their home. Dr. Hamdi's niece said the Israeli occupying forces (IOF) deliberately targeted the house on Friday. They first bombed it with a missile that failed to explode, and then, minutes later, with another missile that detonated, leveling the house to the ground. Dr. Ala' Al-Najjar's nine children, the oldest 12 and the youngest just 6 months old, were killed. Only one son, Adam, and her husband survived; both are in critical condition.

ISRAEL CONTINUED AGGRESSION AGAINST THE NORTHERN WEST BANK

The occupation's aggression has continued for 126 days against Jenin and its refugee camp, 120 days against Tulkarem and its refugee camp, and 107 days against the Nour Shams refugee camp. The [Jenin Municipality](#) said the refugee camp's infrastructure has been completely destroyed, along with 60% of the city's infrastructure, including 120 kilometers of roads, 42 kilometers of water pipelines, and 99 kilometers of sewage lines. Last Thursday, after a 9-day aggression, the Israeli occupation forces withdrew from [Bruqin and Kafr Al-Dik](#), west of Salfit.

IOF FIRES LIVE AMMUNITION AT A DIPLOMATIC DELEGATION IN JENIN REFUGEE CAMP

Last Wednesday, the IOF fired live ammunition at a diplomatic delegation composed of representatives, including ambassadors, from 27 Arab and foreign countries and international organizations during an official visit to the Jenin refugee camp. [The Ministry of Foreign Affairs](#) condemned this heinous crime, stating that it "underscores the deeply entrenched impunity with which it (Israel) continues to operate." In refuting the occupation's claim that the delegation "deviated from the route," the [Ministry](#) confirmed that the delegation was near an iron gate at one of the refugee camp's entrances, remaining in the same spot for 15 minutes before the IOF opened fire.



Summary

Figure 1: Gaza Strip (Since 7 October 2023)

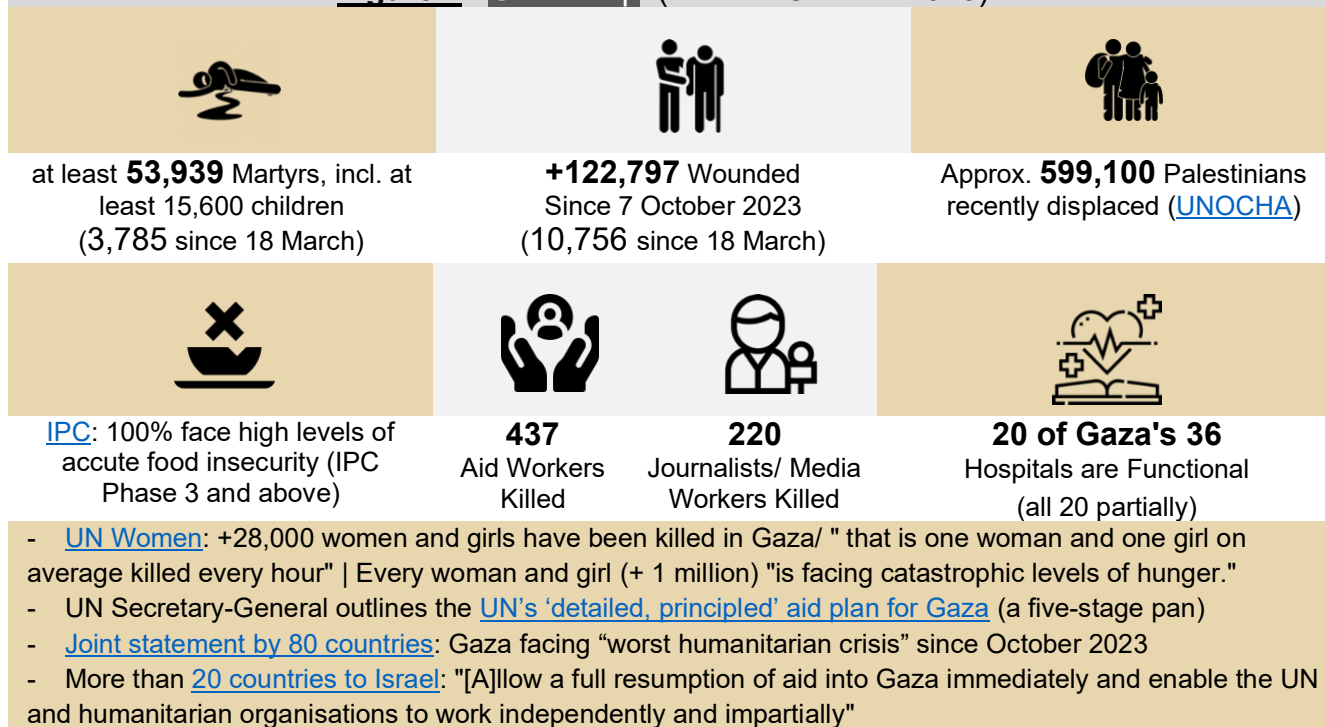
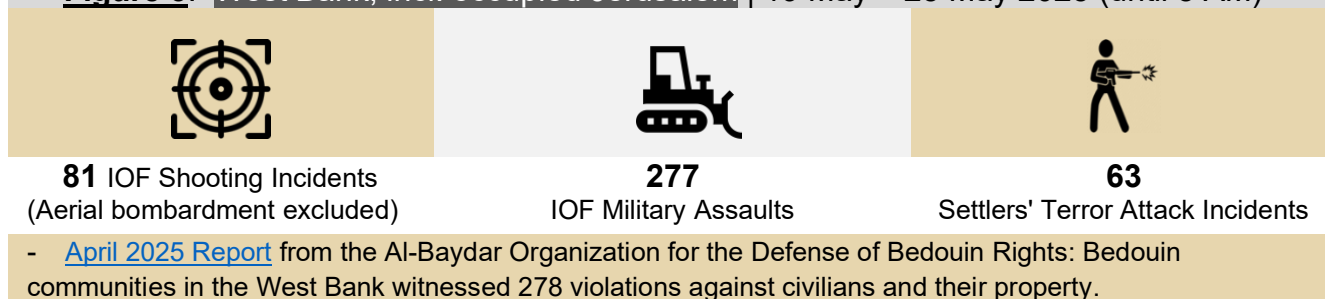


Figure 2: West Bank, incl. occupied Jerusalem (Since 7 October 2023)



Figure 3: West Bank, incl. occupied Jerusalem | 19 May – 25 May 2025 (until 8 AM)



Sources: Ministry of Health, [Wafa](#), [UNOCHA](#), [NAD's Palestinian Monitoring Group](#), [Palestinian Prisoners' Society](#), [Palestinian Journalists Syndicate](#)



In Focus

The [Colonization and Wall Resistance Commission](#) said that the terrorism of settler militias, sponsored by the official establishment of the occupying state, has resulted in the displacement of over 30 Palestinian Bedouin communities, including 323 families. The most recent of these communities is [Maghayer Al-Deir](#), located between the villages of Deir Dibwan and Mikhmas, east of Ramallah. This community comprises 25 families, totaling 124 people. The head of the commission, Minister Muayyad Shaaban, added that the escalation of settler terrorism, which has persisted for a considerable time, forced the citizens to leave their homes last Thursday morning. Shaaban explained that since the beginning of 2025, settlers have conducted nearly 1,200 attacks, noting that 38% of these attacks targeted Bedouin communities in the eastern slopes and the Jordan Valley, with the explicit intent to displace these communities, which constitutes a grave and serious violation of the most fundamental principles of international law. Within the past 24 hours, the Commission said, [Israeli settlers attempted to establish four colonial installations \(outposts\)](#) in the occupied West Bank, including three in the Ramallah & Al-Bireh governorate. Last Tuesday, an [Israeli human rights organization](#) said the IOF is removing surveillance cameras from Palestinian villages in the occupied West Bank to prevent the documentation of settlers' attacks.

Government Updates

- During the [Palestinian Cabinet meeting in Bethlehem](#), Prime Minister Dr. Mohammad Mustafa welcomed recent principled international positions, particularly the joint statement issued by the United Kingdom, France, and Canada, along with earlier statements by European leaders and friendly countries. These positions called for an end to the aggression, an immediate halt to the famine in Gaza, and the urgent delivery of humanitarian aid. The statements warned of further actions if Israel continues its military offensive, while supporting a political path to end the occupation and achieve the independence of the State of Palestine.
- The [Ministry of Foreign Affairs](#) strongly condemned the settlers' terrorist attack on [Bruqin village](#), west of Salfit, which included the burning of several Palestinian homes, vehicles, and properties under the IOF's supervision and protection. The IOF then stormed the village again after a nine-day siege of Kafr Al-Dik and Bruqin, terrorizing and intimidating citizens. The Ministry emphasized that the crimes committed by settler gangs are organized and planned to establish more colonial settlements and to displace the Palestinian people, as is continuously happening in [Masafer Yatta](#) and the [Jordan Valley](#), as well as the forced displacement of dozens of families from the Maghayer Al-Deir area north of Ramallah. During the past week, Israeli settlers attacked Palestinians in [occupied Jerusalem](#) and several Palestinian villages, including [Sinjil](#) (Ramallah), [Al-Minya](#) (Bethlehem), and [Sebastia](#) (Nablus).