



Situation Report #57: Occupied Palestine

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Key Developments

CEASEFIRE DEAL REACHED AFTER 734 DAYS OF ISRAEL'S GENOCIDE IN GAZA

Last Thursday, [President Mahmoud Abbas](#) welcomed the announcement by US President Donald Trump of an agreement to end the genocide in the Gaza Strip, withdraw Israeli occupation forces (IOF), allow humanitarian aid entry, and facilitate a prisoners' exchange. President Abbas expressed hope that efforts would pave the way for a permanent political solution, leading to the end of the Israeli occupation of the State of Palestine. He reaffirmed that sovereignty over Gaza belongs to Palestine and emphasized that the connection between the West Bank and Gaza should be within the framework of a single Palestinian system and law.

AROUND 2,000 PALESTINIAN PRISONERS ARE SET TO BE RELEASED TODAY

As agreed [under the ceasefire agreement](#), around 2,000 Palestinian prisoners will be released today. This total includes 250 prisoners, mostly serving life sentences, of whom 154 will be deported, and approximately 1,700 Gazans who have been detained since the start of Israel's genocide in October 2023. As part of the deal, Israel will reportedly return the [remains of up to 360 martyred Palestinians](#).

GAZA PEACE SUMMIT KICK STARTS TODAY IN SHARM EL-SHEIKH, EGYPT

Co-chaired by President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi and US President Donald Trump, with leaders from more than twenty countries participating, an international summit titled "[Sharm ElSheikh Summit for Peace](#)" will be held this afternoon in Sharm El-Sheikh. The summit aims "to end the war in the Gaza Strip, enhance efforts to achieve peace and stability in the Middle East, and usher in a new era of regional security and stability."

FOR THE FOURTH DAY, PALESTINIANS RETURN TO THE RUINS OF THEIR HOMES IN GAZA AMID A MAN-MADE FAMINE AND SEVERE LACK OF SHELTER

Since Friday, [hundreds of thousands of displaced Palestinian citizens](#) have begun returning—on foot—to what remains of their homes in Gaza City and other areas in the Strip, navigating through the rubble and devastation left behind by the two-year Israeli genocide. Palestinians are walking along [al-Rashid](#) and Salah al-Din streets, many of them without homes to return to. Palestinian citizens in Gaza "continue to face starvation, malnutrition, and a manmade famine, as well as lack of shelter and supplies," [UNRWA](#) said.



ISRAEL DESTROYED THE HOMES OF ONE AND A HALF MILLION PALESTINIANS

The [Executive Director of the Palestinian Non-Governmental Organizations Network in Gaza, Amjad Shawa](#), said on Sunday that between 300,000 and 400,000 displaced Palestinians managed to return to their areas in Gaza and the north, despite extremely difficult conditions, as most of them lost their homes and property. He revealed that approximately 1.5 million Palestinians lost their homes during the two years and two days of the Israeli genocidal war on the Strip. He explained that estimates show there are 60 million tons of rubble in the devastated Gaza Strip, in addition to the fact that 80% of the population had their homes destroyed.

THE DISMANTLING AND CLOSURE OF THE GHF "DEATH TRAPS"

The Gaza "Humanitarian" Foundation's four distribution centers have [ceased operations](#), although there has been no official announcement from Israel regarding this. According to official Israeli media, "the project has failed and ended." Since its establishment on 27 May 2025, the IOF targeted [starved Palestinians seeking aid](#) at GHF distribution sites, killing 2,605 Palestinians and wounding around 19,124 others until 5 October 2025.

ISRAEL'S DESTRUCTION OF GAZA'S CULTURAL INFRASTRUCTURE

During its two-year genocide, the occupying Power systematically targeted the [cultural infrastructure in the Gaza Strip](#). All museums were completely destroyed, including the National Museum in the "Pasha Palace," which housed tens of thousands of artifacts. The destruction also affected more than 1,000 mosques, including historic ones like the Omari Mosque, as well as four ancient churches, including the Church of Saint Porphyrius, and at least 226 archaeological sites. Additionally, hundreds of public, private, and university libraries were destroyed, and eight cemeteries were bulldozed, including the Beit Hanoun cemetery, where the IOF dug up 600 graves, along with the 2,000-year-old Roman cemetery. The Deir al-Balah cemetery, dating back to the Late Bronze Age, was also destroyed.

PGFTU: ECONOMIC LOSSES HAVE EXCEEDED \$9 BILLION

On World Day for Decent Work, the [Palestine General Federation of Trade Unions](#) (PGFTU) said that ongoing Israeli aggression against our people has left over **507,000 Palestinian workers unemployed for more than two years** and has caused economic losses exceeding \$9 billion. The PGFTU warned about Israel's continued illegal policies and movement restrictions, noting that 42 Palestinian workers have been martyred since October 2023, while over 32,000 workers have been arrested in a systematic campaign of repression targeting the Palestinian working class. PGFTU also condemned the occupation government's plan to set up a special "security" detention center for Palestinian workers.

ISRAEL'S CONTINUED AGGRESSION AGAINST THE NORTHERN WEST BANK

The occupation's aggression has persisted for 266 days against Jenin and its refugee camp, 260 days against Tulkarem and its refugee camp, and 247 days against Nour Shams refugee camp.



Summary

Figure 1: Gaza Strip (Since 7 October 2023)

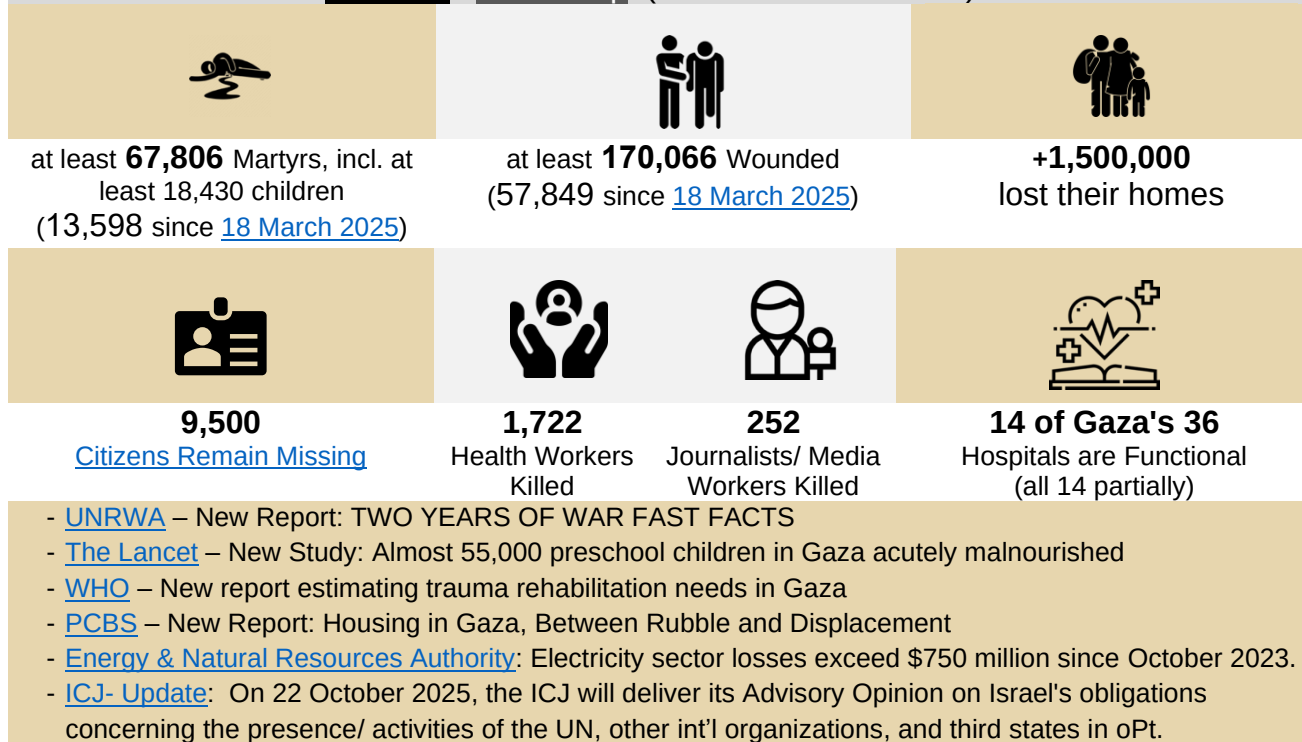


Figure 2: West Bank, incl. occupied Jerusalem (Since 7 October 2023)

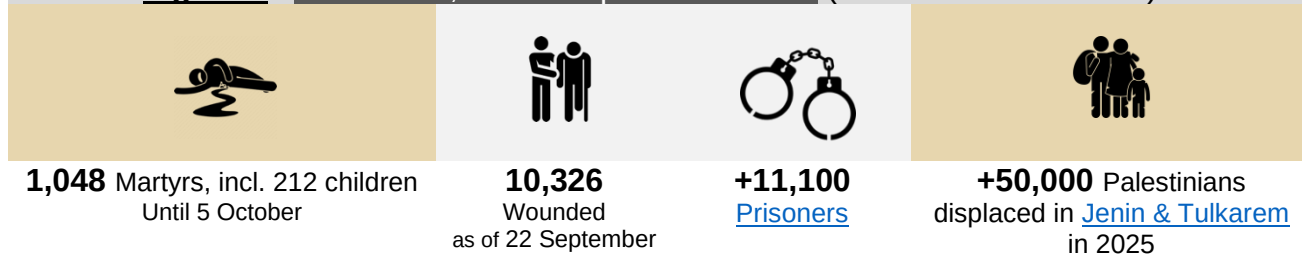
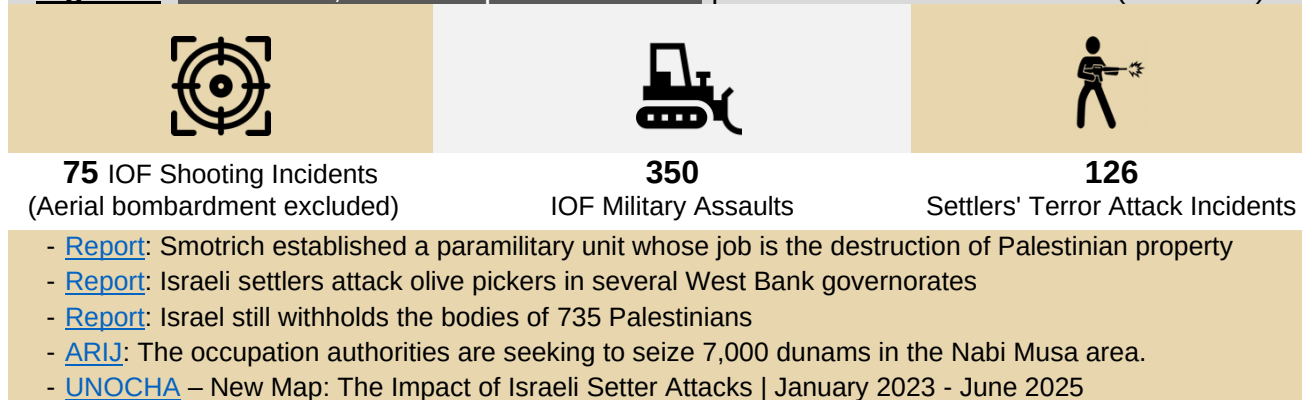


Figure 3: West Bank, incl. occupied Jerusalem | 6 October – 12 October 2025 (until 8 AM)



Sources: Ministry of Health, [Wafa](#), [UNOCHA](#), [PJS](#), [NAD's Palestinian Monitoring Group](#).



In Focus

Two years after Israel began its genocidal aggression against the Gaza Strip, the Palestinian Prisoners' Commission, the Palestinian Prisoners' Society, and the Addameer Prisoner Support and Human Rights Association released a [special report](#) confirming the martyrdom of at least 77 Palestinian prisoners whose identities have been identified. The fate of dozens of martyred Gaza detainees remains unknown due to forced disappearance. The prisoners' organizations explained that the Palestinian prisoners inside Israeli jails are experiencing an unprecedented escalation, with violations going beyond normal repression to include deliberate executions and organized physical and psychological abuse. The documented crimes include systematic torture, mass starvation, intentional denial of medical care, widespread sexual assaults, including rape, and the use of solitary confinement as a method of collective repression. The organizations affirmed that these violations constitute war crimes and crimes against humanity on a large scale, holding Israeli National Security Minister Itamar Ben Gvir and the far-right government directly responsible. The statement also pointed out that the Israeli judiciary, including the Supreme Court, has become complicit in these crimes by providing false legal cover for continued brutality.

Government Updates

- At the outset of the [weekly Cabinet session](#) held in Ramallah last Tuesday, Prime Minister Dr. Mohammad Mustafa affirmed that our people in the Gaza Strip are in urgent need of a collective national effort to heal their wounds and alleviate their suffering. The Prime Minister stressed that this cannot be achieved without empowering the Palestinian Government to fully assume its responsibilities in implementing the relief and early recovery plan, leading to reconstruction—supported by all Arab and international partners—to strengthen the steadfastness of our people in the Strip.
- During a meeting held at the [Government Operations Room for Emergency Interventions for the southern governorates \(Gaza Strip\)](#) to review the latest humanitarian and field developments, the emergency response plan, and the operational readiness of the Operations Room for the coming period, Prime Minister Dr. Mohammad Mustafa affirmed the Government's readiness to implement immediate and urgent interventions, stressing the importance of joint work with international partners in emergency response, restoring essential services, and providing immediate relief in preparation for launching comprehensive reconstruction efforts. The meeting was attended by several ministers as well as international and local partners.
- During a [phone call with UNRWA Commissioner-General](#) Philippe Lazzarini last Wednesday, Prime Minister Dr. Mohammad Mustafa reaffirmed the State of Palestine's full support for the mandate of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA), describing it as a cornerstone of international responsibility toward Palestinian refugees. He stressed that supporting UNRWA is not only a humanitarian necessity but also a political imperative to preserve stability and uphold international law. UNRWA's "presence is vital to strengthening societal resilience and social cohesion," the Prime Minister said.