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date: Oct 24th 2023**PRCS Report Update****From Saturday, October 7, 2023, at 06:00 AM****Until Tuesday, October 24th, 2023, at 10:00 AM**

According to PRCS's president announcement, PRCS declared a state of emergency at the highest level in both Gaza Strip and the West Bank where the national society operates to fullest humanitarian and resource capacity for the 18th day on the row.

Latest Update:**Gaza Strip:**

- The Israeli occupation forces continue their intense airstrikes across the strip, targeting towers, industrial and vital facilities, residential buildings with their inhabitants mosques, churches, main streets, and civilian population in various southern governorates. This has resulted in a significant number of casualties, mostly among children and women, and intensive infrastructure damage, in addition to civilians being displaced in search of safety.
- The Israeli occupation forces intensified their attacks overnight, launching very intense airstrikes across all areas of the strip. They targeted inhabited houses and the vicinity of hospitals, resulting in a very high number of casualties, the majority of whom are women and children.
- Al-Quds hospital continues to provide its services to the wounded, injured, and displaced individuals out of its national and humanitarian duty, despite the Israeli occupation's threat to evacuate the hospital and the intense targeting and bombardment of the surrounding area and its main headquarters.
- The numbers of casualties among healthcare workers has reached 57 martyrs, including doctors, paramedics, and nurses, up to this moment.
- The officials have received 1500 notification of missing individuals under the rubble, including 830 are children.
- According to the ministry of health has confirmed the closure of 12 hospitals and 32 health centers due to Israeli targeting, fuel shortage, and medical resources depletion.

Escalation statistics:

Statistics on emergency events until 24.10.2023 at 10:00					
Statistics of cases PRCS dealt with					
Martyrs	Injuries	Total	Al Quds Hospital	Al Amal Hospital	Total
1906	5667	7573	842	615	1457
Official Statistics till 24:00					
Martyrs	Injuries	Total	Total demolition	Severe damage	Partial damage
5,087	15,273	20,360	20,000	15,656	130,344
Martyr: 2055 children, 1156 women, 217 elderlies.			These statistics remain preliminary due to the unfortunate fact that the numbers may increase from the missing people under the rubble.		



West Bank & Jerusalem:

PRCS's emergency teams in all West Bank governorates, including Jerusalem, have dealt with (35) fatalities and (1836) injuries since Saturday, October 7th 2023, up to Tuesday, October 24th 2023 at 10:00 AM.

Violations against PRCS services:

Gaza Strip: Since the beginning of the Israeli military attack on the Gaza Strip and the declaration of the state of war on October 7th 2023, (17) violations against the teams and PRCS's premises have been recorded. These violations resulted to the martyrdom of (4) paramedics, the injury of (5) paramedics, damage to (9) ambulances, and significant damage to the NS HQ in the northern Gaza Strip, as well as damage to the emergency operations room.

West Bank: Since Saturday, October 7th, 2023, the Palestine Red Crescent Society- PRCS teams have faced numerous challenges and violations, with (62) documented violation incidents.

Occupied Jerusalem: Since Saturday, October 7th, 2023, the Palestine Red Crescent Society- PRCS teams have also encountered several challenges and violations, with (3) violation incidents documented.

The displacement of citizens in Gaza Strip:

- Since the beginning of the escalation, PRCS's HQ, Al-Quds hospital, Khan younis branch, and Al-Amal hospital have witnessed the displacement of thousands of citizens seeking refuge. This is due to the continued threats by the Israeli occupation forces to target civilian homes. The two HQs are experiencing extreme overcrowding beyond their capacity, with hundreds of displaced individuals sleeping at the entrance of the facilities, administrative offices, and patient rooms. The estimated number of displaced citizens at the PRCS's premises in Gaza and Khan younis is over 12000, with 9000 in Gaza HQ, and 3000 in Khan younis branch. This increase in the number of displaced individuals is due to the escalating Israeli threats, with the latest displacement of more than 2000 citizens due to ongoing attacks and the destruction of homes in Tel Al-Hawa neighborhood near the hospital. It's worth noting that there is an increase in the number of displaced individuals at by around 1000 compared to daytime.
- A significant number of citizens have been displaced from border area in the governorates to the middle cities, either to shelter centers or with host families. UNRWA announced that its centers have received more than 400,000 displaced individuals. Furthermore, official sources have reported an increase in the number of displaced individuals to over 1.4 million in various areas.
- Israeli targeting has also affected schools, with the occupation taking 19 schools out of service due to severe damage. Furthermore, 160 schools have suffered varying degrees of damage, exacerbating the suffering and overcrowding of the displaced individuals in shelter centers.

Disaster Risk Management Interventions:

Gaza strip: due to the threats from occupying forces to target civilians, the provision of immediate field relief services in the governorates of Gaza and North Gaza was impeded. Relief services were limited to providing assistance to internally displaced persons at PRCS’s premises (Al-Nour city and Al-Amal city), the hospitals, and shelter centers.

Disaster Risk Management distributed non-food relief items as follow:

Baby drinking bottle	Baby food	milk	Children biscuits	Dignity kits	pillow	carpet	Food parcel	Cooking	Diapers	Water	Water gallon	Kitchen sets	Hygiene	Blanket	Mattress	Individual	Beneficiary families	Governorate
				40		35					51	40	7	198	198	293	52	Gaza
											38	25		126	67	185	32	Central
										64	1	45	44	140	90	245	45	Khan Yunis
										24	15	34		132	70	225	33	Rafah
				60	49	15		1	3		92	12		1878	1483	15249	2773	Al Amal & Al Quds Hospitals
2000	2000	10944	1760				338				5422		4	7122	3772	71566	13012	Shelters
2000	2000	10944	1760	100	49	50	338	1	3	88	5619	156	55	9596	5680	87763	15947	Total

PRCS teams has commenced the delivery of food parcels to the vocational training center in Khan younis, affiliated with the UNRWA, where approximately 25000 internally displaced individuals are being hosted. They have started by delivering 1800 food parcels, with the remaining quantity to be completed tomorrow, reaching a total 5000 food parcels. This assistance will significantly contribute to the resilience of families who have been displaced from their homes. It is worth noting that these aid supplies were received by PRCS through the Rafah crossing border.

West Bank and Jerusalem:

The disaster risk management provided relief items to Gaza workers who were relocated by occupying forces from their workplaces in the occupied territories to the West Bank governorates, Ramalah and Al-Bireh, Tubas, Qalqiliya, Nablus, Jerusalem and Jenin. Relief items included mattresses, blankets, hygiene kits, kitchen kits, and towels for a total of 405 individuals.

Community Awareness Committees Interventions:

Gaza Strip: since the beginning of the escalation, PRCS’s teams have been providing support to 58,127 beneficiaries.



Psychological Health Interventions:

Gaza strip: the psychological intervention teams continue to provide initial psychological first aid to the emergency medical teams working in the ongoing events. This service has benefited 4386 individuals.

West Bank: the psychosocial health department provided its services to 'Gaza workers who were relocated by occupying forces to West Bank governorates'. The total number of beneficiaries in shelter centers was 2769. Additionally, daily informational material was funded on social media platforms, with a total of 59151, which included:

- dissemination of informative message.
- provision of initial psychosocial first aid.
- social and psychological support during times of war and crises.
- supply of assistive devices through the rehabilitation department.
- Daily guidance posts on social media platforms.