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Palestine Red Crescent Society Response Report

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Palestine Red Crescent Society teams are still responding to the developments on the ground in both Gaza Strip and the West Bank, where the operations are carried out 24\4, for the 74th day in a row.

Latest Updates:

Gaza Strip

The following information in this report is the maximum which our teams were able to collect from direct follow-ups and various sources due to the complete loss of telecommunications and the great difficulty in reaching the sources of information.

- The violations on and around PRCS's premises and facilities are intensifying, as the Israeli aircrafts targeted an inhabited house across PRCS branch and Al-Amal hospital in Khan Younis, which led to a number of fatalities, in addition to casualties among the teams and displaced people at the branch.
- PRCS ambulance station in North Gaza governorate was also subjected to an indirect violation after the Israeli airstrike targeted a building next to it. This led to the glass shattering, luckily, no casualties among the teams were recorded.
- For the sixth day in a row, the cellular and landline means of communication in Khan Younis governorate are interrupted, the internet services returned only two days ago with significant interference.
- All hospitals in Gaza city and north Gaza are un-operable, due to the Israeli targeting and besiege, denied access of the injured and wounded, preventing the medical teams from providing their services, and forcing them to evacuate towards the south. Buildings, medical teams, and the displaced people inside the hospitals are also targeted, which threatens a very major health catastrophe.
- PRCS emergency medical service stations in Gaza and northern Gaza has stopped operating, due to the restrictions imposed by the occupation forces on the medical teams and fuel depletion required to operate the vehicles, as the hospitals are also un-operable and the evacuation of the cases is nearly impossible, while the medical points are dealing with the minor and moderate cases in the two governorates.
- South Wadi Gaza hospitals have lost its capacity in terms of receiving the huge numbers of injured and wounded who their lives are threatened to be lost after the intensified targeting of the Israeli occupation forces towards the civilians.
- The fuel crises in Al-amal hospital in Khan Younis remains continues, as the consumption is currently being rationalized to a minimum while working on a schedule system, which affects the services provided to the displaced, injured, and wounded, in addition to the emergency medical services.
- The Israeli occupation forces continue its targeting across the Gaza Strip, vital and industrial facilities, residential, commercial towers, as well as mosques, churches, main streets, resulting in a large number of casualties, the majority of whom are children and women, the complete destruction of the infrastructure, in addition to displacing citizens.
- The Israeli Occupation forces continue to penetrate into numerous central regions in Gaza and north Gaza governorates and have separated the north of the Strip from its South, increasing challenges facing the working medical and relief teams as it prevents the movement of ambulance vehicles from approaching the places of incursions and targets everyone who tries to move there. The Occupation is also forcing citizens to move at certain times through Salah al-Din Street, and targeting some of them with death, injury, arrest, humiliation or inhuman treatment.
- This segregation increases the challenges faced by the medical and relief teams as the ambulances are prohibited from reaching to the areas raided by the Israeli occupation forces and tanks which are directly targeting whoever is trying to move there, while forcing citizens to move at certain times through Salah Al-din street between the northern and southern governorates, some of them are being killed, injured, arrested, humiliated and inhumanely treated.
- PRCS colleague Awni Khattab Head of Khan Younis Ambulance Center remains detained by the Israeli Occupation forces for the 28th day in a row. He was arrested during the wounded convoy from Al-Shifa Hospital, traveling through the checkpoint which separates north and south Gaza.
- The competent authorities continue to recover the bodies of the martyrs from the streets and under the rubble; the recovery crews are facing high challenges in performing their missions because there is no fuel available for the necessary machines which have already been exhausted. Official authorities have received approximately (7,780) reports of missing persons in the rubble and corpses laying in the streets including well over (4700) children and women.
- The Ministry of Health confirms that the occupation forces deliberately target medical personnel and crews, which led to the loss of (310) medical personal, (35) rescue team members lives and the wreckage of (59) ambulances that are now un-operable. The targeting of (140) health care facilities led to (23) hospitals and (53) health centers to become out of service as a result of the Israeli targeting, fuel, and medical resources depletion. Additionally, the Occupation forces continue its detention of (39) medical



personnel, including the General Director of Al-Shifa Hospital in Gaza, and still to besiege and target the Indonesian Hospital, obstructing the work of medical teams and preventing them from reaching it.

- The continued targeting of public facilities, as the occupation directly targeted (282) schools, including (90) schools that are out of service, while the number of completely destroyed mosques reached (112) mosques, and (200) partially destroyed mosques, in addition to targeting (3) churches. Based on official data.
- (97) media professionals were martyred under direct targeting since the beginning of the aggression.
- The Israeli occupation forces continue to detain (99) medical team personal, and (8) journalists who their where about remain unknown.
- Demands from the ministry of health to facilitate the evacuation of more than 5,000 wounded people to be provided with the required medical treatment and attention abroad due to the lack of medical capabilities and resources in the strip.

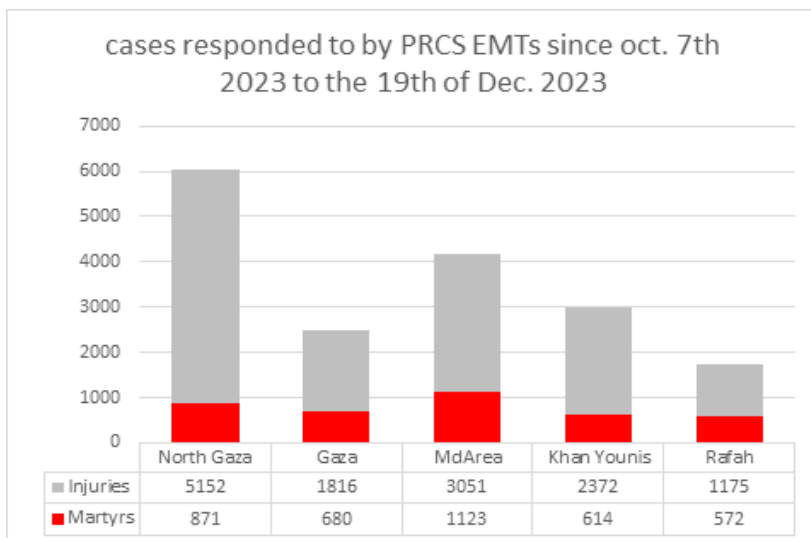
West Bank:

The Israeli occupation forces raided several governorates in the West Bank, Tuesday, December 19th 2023, where PRCS's teams responded as follow:

- Nablus governorate: 14 gas inhalation cases were treated on the field in Aqraba.
- Hebron governorate: 2 hit by soldiers' cases were transferred to the hospital from Yatta.
- Qalqiliya governorate: 1 live bullet case was transferred to the hospital from Azoun.

PRCS Emergency Medical Services Response

Gaza Strip: PRCS EMTs responded to (13,883) casualties, and (4,418) martyrs since the beginning of the escalation, according to the last report from the Central Operations Room of Gaza on December 19th, 2023 at 24:00. The chart below indicates to the figures. In its latest update on December 19th, 2023 at 18:00, The Ministry of Health announced that (+19,667) martyrs and (+52,586) injuries *8,000+ children – 6,200+ women and 750+ elderly, these statistics remain preliminary due to the many of missing people under the rubble."



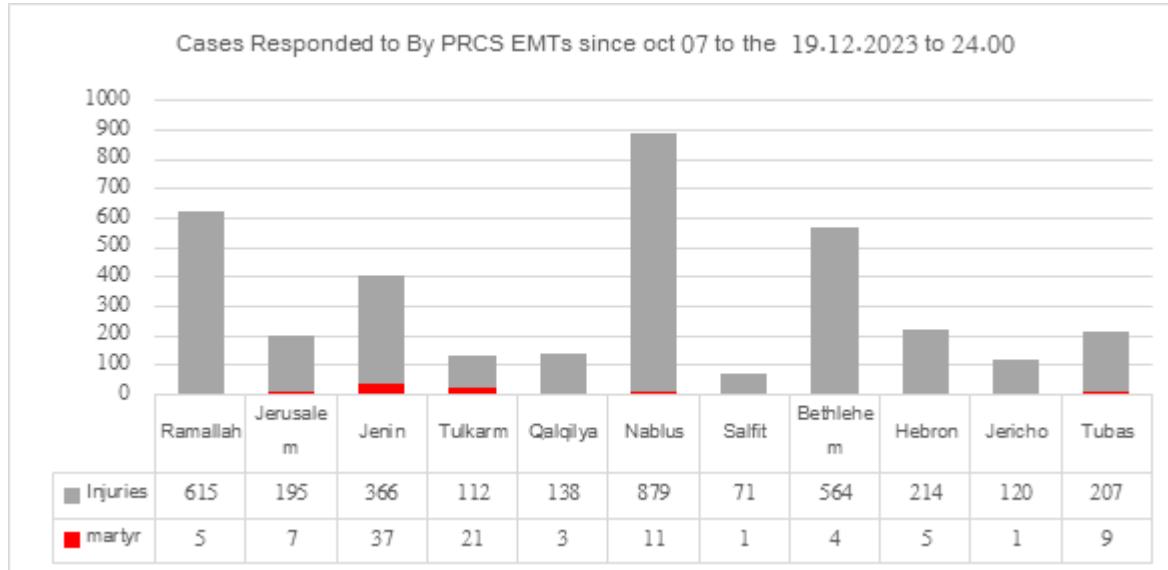
Cases treated at PRCS hospitals in Gaza		
Alquds hospital Nov 11 th 2023	Alamal hospital	Total
1169	1080	2245

Partially damaged buildings	In-inhabitant buildings
+254000	+52,000

Emergency Medical Services Stations continue to operate at high capacity in light of the events taking place. Today's operational capacity was (18) ambulance vehicles operating in the field, (2) of which were special use vehicles. The number of staffs working within this capacity is (81) including emergency medical teams, drivers, first responders, administration, and volunteers, while the medical posts continue to receive the mild and moderate cases in northern Gaza.



West Bank including East Jerusalem: PRCS EMTs responded to (17) casualties as of today, December 19th, 2023 until 24:00 AM. Thus, the total number of casualties responded to by PRCS teams from Oct 7th 2023 until December 19th 2023 is (3,481) casualties and (104) martyrs. And the Ministry of Health reported (297) martyrs and more than (3431+) casualties since 7th October, among the casualties (535) children, and (85)2023 until 10th December, 2023.



Violations against PRCS teams:

The Palestine Red Crescent Society enjoys special protections yielded by international humanitarian law, particularly the Geneva Conventions, and operates within the framework of its humanitarian responsibilities governed by said legal documents. The following recorded violations against our teams, vehicles, and patients are documented in accordance with the First and Fourth Geneva Conventions, the Additional Protocol to the Geneva Conventions, and customary international law.

Gaza Strip:

Total Number of violations	Violations Reported			
	Martyrdom of paramedics	Injury of paramedics	of Buildings	PRCS vehicles un-operable
39	4	28	7	12
				vehicle have sustained several damages 19

West Bank including East Jerusalem:

116 incidents of violation until Dec 12 th 2023	
Type of violation	Number
Prevent to access	55
Obstacle to access	52
Violations against EMT's documented and reported	65
Violations against ambulances documented and reported	49
Violations against Patients	52
Violations against PRCS facilities and premises	1
Total	274
Number of martyrs due to violations	4



Disaster Risk Management Response:

Gaza Strip:

The PRCS' relief teams continue their various efforts in responding to the displaced in all areas of the Gaza Strip, which are suffering from a major disaster due to the aggression on Gaza, in addition to the displacement centers in coordination with the relevant institutions.

The total number of humanitarian aid trucks received by the PRCS from 10/21/2023 until the 16/12/2023 is **(4301)** trucks, including **1091** trucks during the 7 days humanitarian truce.

The total share that PRCS distributed to the displacement centers, host families, residential communities, and relevant parties was **2,746** trucks, containing (medicine, medical supplies, beds and medical equipment, food and NFIs, water and milk, and hygiene items) from Oct 21st 2023 until Dec 16th 2023.

1,555 trucks were distributed to UNRWA and other relevant parties from Oct 21st 2023 until Dec 16th 2023.

The number of trucks that entered the northern Gaza areas during the humanitarian truce period (**310**) trucks containing food, relief materials, drinking water, milk, and tents.

The number of ambulances received by PRCS is **48**, and they were distributed according to an approved mechanism in coordination with the relevant actors.

The total amount of fuel delivered into Gaza Strip until the moment is 3,160,667 liters, while the amount of cooking gas amounted to 962.2 tons.

West Bank including East Jerusalem:

PRCS disaster response team in coordination with the ICRC, Thursday, December 14th 2024, carried out an assessment and response as follow:

Area	Incident	Families	Family members	Relief items
Jericho: Bedouin community in Alqalt	Israeli settlers and occupation forces targeted the inhabited barracks, while tampering with the properties	14	79	Blankets, hygiene kits, kitchen sets, jerrycans, tarpaulin
Nablus: Khrbet Tana	Residential tents and properties were demolished and bulldozed by the occupation forces	20	134	Tents, mattresses, blankets, hygiene kits, kitchen sets, jerrycans
Hebron: Um Qassa Al- Kharou'a/ Masafer Yatta	Israeli settlers and occupation forces targeted the inhabited barracks	3	32	Tents, mattresses, blankets, hygiene kits, kitchen sets, jerrycans, tarpaulin
Jenin: Romana village	Mattresses were provided to detainees who were released by the occupation forces, where they were sheltered in a school in the village of Romana		150	Mattresses

**Displacement and Evacuation of Civilians in the Gaza Strip:**

PRCS premises	Khan Younis & Al-Amal hospital	UNRWA Centers	Official statistics
# of IDPs	14,000	1.2M+	1.8M+

Community work department, MHPSS, and the Youth & Volunteers interventions:

District	CACs	MHPSS	Volunteers
Gaza Strip	86,472	(27,584) paramedics and volunteers	129
West Bank		(5,059) Gazan workers who were deported by the IOF	(2,207,882) online views

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