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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 **75th** day in a row.

Latest Updates:

Gaza Strip

- All communication means with the operation room, PRCS's teams and colleagues in Gaza Strip are lost, after the occupation forces completely cut-off communication networks landline, cellular and internet services for the 7th day in a row.
- The occupation forces besieged Japalia EMS station North Wadi Gaza from all directions, where 127 people are based in the station including PRCSs teams, IDPs, injured and wounded.

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 as of

Dec 19th 2023.

- 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.
- 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 **29th** day in a row. He was arrested during the wounded convoy from Al-Shifa Hospital, crossing through the checkpoint which separates north and south wadi 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, (102) ambulance vehicles were targeted leading to 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 forces 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.
- The ministry of health continues to demand the evacuation facilitation 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.

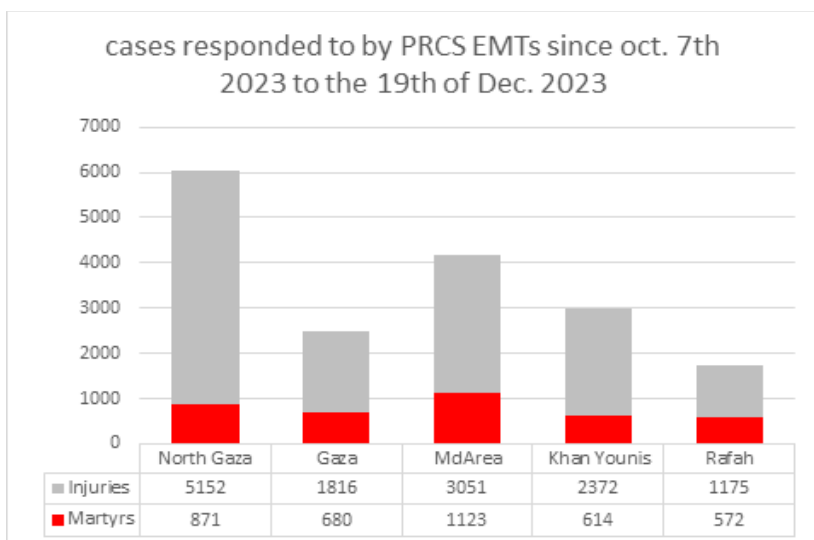
West Bank:

The Israeli occupation forces raided several governorates in the West Bank, Wednesday, December 20th 2023, where PRCS’s teams responded as follow:

- Nablus governorate: 2 live bullet injuries were transferred from Aseera Alshamalia.
- Jenin governorate: 1 martyr, and 2 live bullet injuries were transferred from Jenin city and Alyamoun village.
- Tubas governorate: 1 live bullet injury was transferred from Tamoun village.
- Bethlehem governorate: 18 injuries were transferred, including, 10 live bullet, 1 rubber bullet, 7 gas inhalation cases and injuries from Housan village.

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 15:00, 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."



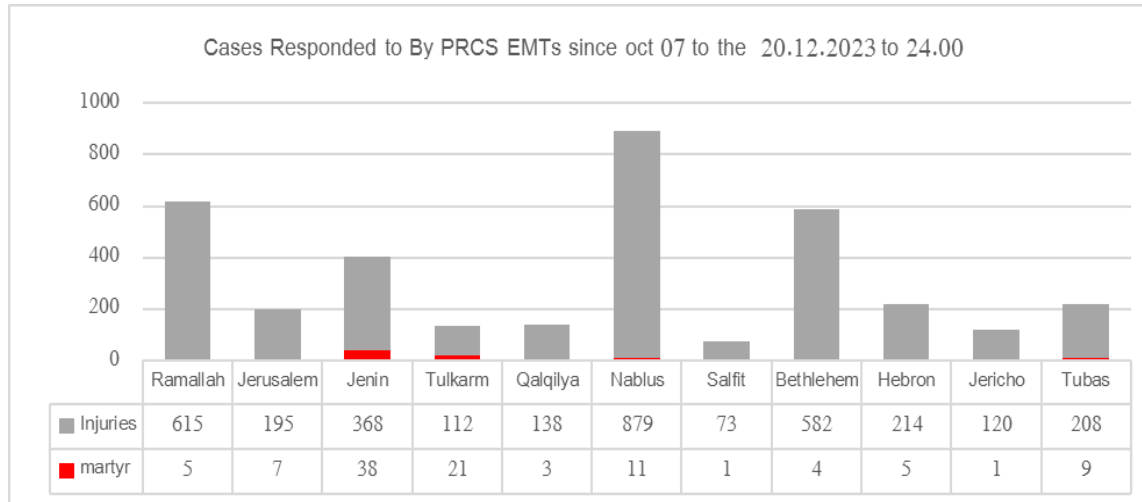
Cases treated at PRCS hospitals in Gaza		
Alquds hospital Nov 11 th 2023	Alamal hospital	Total
1169	1080	2249

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 (23) casualties and (1) martyr as of today, December 20th, 2023 until 24:00 AM. Thus, the total number of casualties responded to by PRCS teams from Oct 7th 2023 until December 20th 2023 is (3504) casualties and (105) martyrs. And the Ministry of Health reported (302) martyrs and more than (3431+) casualties since 7th October, among the casualties (535) children, and (85) who were attacked and injured by the Israeli settlers from Oct 7th until 19th 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 paramedics	of Buildings	PRCS vehicles un-operable	vehicle have sustained several damages
39	4	28	7	12	19

West Bank including East Jerusalem:

116 incidents of violation until Dec 19 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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