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Key Developments

DAY 129 SINCE THE CEASEFIRE DEAL: ISRAEL HAS KILLED 601 PALESTINIANS IN GAZA, BRINGING THE TOTAL TO 72,061 PALESTINIANS KILLED SINCE THE GENOCIDE BEGAN

According to local and medical sources, a series of Israeli occupation strikes targeting areas in the northern and southern Gaza Strip killed nine Palestinians and injured several others yesterday overnight. Additional reports reveal that Israeli occupation forces killed nine Palestinians in renewed attacks across Gaza last Monday, despite a ceasefire that has ostensibly been in place since October 2025. The following day, an Israeli drone strike on Salah al-Din Road killed two more Palestinians. According to UNOCHA, shelter conditions in Gaza remain catastrophic, forcing many displaced families to live in unsafe structures or search rubble for basic necessities. Children are exposed to explosive remnants of war, while older people face heightened health risks and limited access to medical care. The United Nations further warned that humanitarian needs continue to surpass access and operational capacity, leaving thousands of patients without adequate treatment as essential services are largely unavailable.

ISRAEL REOPENS WEST BANK LAND REGISTRATION IN UNPRECEDENTED ANNEXATION MOVE

For the first time since 1967, the Israeli occupation government has approved the reopening of land registration in the occupied West Bank, enabling extensive areas to be registered as "state property." It allocated NIS 244.1 million to establish a mechanism for large-scale dispossession of thousands of Palestinians. Israeli ministers described the move as part of a "settlement revolution" to strengthen Israeli control and ensure "full freedom of action" across the territory. Palestinian leadership condemned the decision as de facto annexation, warning it constitutes a grave escalation aimed at entrenching occupation, expanding settlements, and nullifying signed agreements. The Presidency stressed that the measure violates international law and UN Security Council resolutions, particularly Resolution 2334. The move comes less than a week Israeli officials announced that several new policies would go into effect to streamline the acquisition of property by Jewish-Israelis of land in Oslo-defined Areas "A" and "B" of the West Bank.

INTIMIDATION AND ABUSE DURING BEN-GVIR'S INCURSION INTO OFER PRISON

Israel's extremist 'National Security' Minister, Itamar Ben-Gvir, carried out an incursion into Israeli Ofer Prison ahead of the holy month of Ramadan, marked by intimidation and abuse of Palestinian

detainees, during which gas and stun grenades were fired at Palestinian detainees' cells. "This is not a luxury hotel. It is a real prison," Ben-Gvir said, openly boasting about and expressing satisfaction with the 'harsher' changes he has made to prison conditions since taking office, describing them as a "fundamental change." Human rights organizations have documented a significant deterioration in prison conditions since late 2022, citing systematic abuse, including physical mistreatment, degrading treatment, and severe restrictions on basic necessities. Former detainees have reported experiencing torture, sexual violence, and psychological trauma.

SYSTEMATIC SETTLER TERROR ATTACKS ON PALESTINIAN LAND AND CIVILIANS

Across multiple areas of the occupied West Bank, Israeli colonial settlers, often protected and backed by the Israeli occupation forces (IOF), have intensified coordinated attacks on Palestinian villages, communities, and property. In villages and towns, including Al-Mughayyir, Deir Istiya, Kafr al-Dik, Turmusayya, as well as areas near Nablus and Hebron, settlers have bulldozed agricultural land, cut down approximately 300 olive trees, assaulted Palestinians, including those tending livestock, and caused multiple injuries. Incidents also included attacks near Jabal Subeih in Beita and the storming of the Jaba'a (Sanur) water station in Jenin, targeting and undermining vital water resources for the Palestinian people.

ISRAELI COURT BLOCKS LIFE-SAVING CANCER TREATMENT FOR PALESTINIAN CHILD

An Israeli court blocked life-saving treatment to a five-year-old Palestinian boy with cancer, citing a policy that restricts Palestinians from Gaza from entering Israel, despite the fact that he has been living in the West Bank since 2022. Despite his critical condition, the court rejected a petition to transfer Mohammad Abu Asad for a bone marrow transplant and urgent immunotherapy. Israeli organization Gisha condemned the ruling, describing it as a policy that effectively condemns children to death. Approximately 11,000 Palestinian cancer patients remain trapped in Gaza with limited access to treatment, and the WHO reports 900 deaths while awaiting evacuation.

ISRAEL'S CONTINUED POLICY OF HOME DEMOLITIONS AND DISPLACEMENT

On Tuesday, IOF demolished homes and other structures across the occupied West Bank, including East Jerusalem, in Silwan's Al-Bustan neighborhood and in several parts of Hebron, leaving several Palestinians injured and displacing dozens. These operations follow new Israeli occupation's cabinet measures that ease settler land acquisition and expand administrative control into areas under the Palestinian National Authority's control. According to the Colonization and Wall Resistance Commission, since October 2023, over 1,000 demolitions have affected nearly 3,700 structures, including 1,288 homes.

ISRAEL'S CONTINUED AGGRESSION AGAINST THE NORTHERN WEST BANK

The occupation's aggression has persisted for 392 days against Jenin and its refugee camp, 386 days against Tulkarem and its refugee camp, and 366 days against Nour Shams refugee camp.

Summary

Figure 1: Gaza Strip (Since 7 October 2023)

at least **72,061** Martyrs, incl. at least 21,283 children	at least **171,715** Wounded	**826,892** displacement movements until 31 January (since ceasefire)

10,000 Citizens Remain Missing	**+1,700** Health Workers Killed	**259** Journalists/ Media Workers Killed	**18 of Gaza's 36** (Partially or Fully) as of 05 February

- Report: "Children in Gaza forced to focus on work rather than school."
- Philippe Lazzarini: Israeli restrictions block journalists and aid workers from reporting on Gaza's humanitarian situation.
- Save the Children: "Thousands in Gaza face a slow death; children are already dying waiting for medical evacuation."

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

1,113 Martyrs, incl. 230 children Until 10 February	**11,525** Wounded as of 8 January	**+9,300** Prisoners	**+50,000** Palestinians displaced in Jenin & Tulkarem

Figure 3: West Bank, incl. occupied Jerusalem | 09 February - 15 February 2026 (until 8 AM)

49 IOF Shooting Incidents (Aerial bombardment excluded)	**356** IOF Military Assaults	**100** Settlers' Terror Attack Incidents

- Video: Israeli forces assault two young men during property demolition in Silwan, south of Al-Aqsa Mosque
- Video: A group in a synagogue celebrating while hanging a doll dressed as a Palestinian
- Report: A sanctioned settler ran over a Palestinian, shot his cousin filming, the IOF limited the funeral to 15 people at night.

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Sources: Ministry of Health, Wafa, UNOCHA, PJS, NAD's Palestinian Monitoring Group

In Focus

The Israeli occupation Cabinet approved measures to expand settlements and tighten control over Palestinian lands, including Oslo-defined Areas "A" and "B" and significant historic sites in Hebron and Bethlehem. The Palestinian Negotiations Affairs Department said in a statement that these measures are illegal under international law, citing violations of the prohibition on land acquisition by force, the territorial integrity of Palestine, and the Palestinian people's right to self-determination. The measures also deprive the Palestinian National Authority of planning authority in parts of Hebron, such as the Ibrahimi Mosque, and place Bilal Ibn Rabah Mosque in Bethlehem under Israeli control, thus undermining Palestinian land, cultural, and historical rights. UN High Commissioner for Human Rights warned that these actions will accelerate dispossession, entrench illegal settlements, restrict access to natural resources, and violate human rights. Furthermore, the measures contravene the 2024 International Court of Justice ruling, the Saudi-French initiative, the New York Declaration, and US opposition to West Bank annexation.

Government Updates

- As part of the Government's institutional development and reform program aimed at enhancing the efficiency of public institutions, and based on directives from Prime Minister Dr. Mohammad Mustafa, the rotation of 311 supervisory positions across various public institutions during the tenure of the 19th Government, according to the Government Communication Center's data. The process included only one new leadership appointment, alongside the rotation or assignment of heads of key institutions, 15 deputy ministers selected through competitive, merit-based process. Additional rotations encompassed 30 assistant deputy ministers, 156 directors general, 49 head of units, and other senior supervisory roles across multiple institutions, with the highest numbers recorded in the ministries of Transport, Local Government, and Labor. These measures come within the broader framework of strengthening governance, upholding the principle of equal opportunity, and injecting new leadership into decision-making positions from within government institutions themselves, in a way that contributes to improving performance efficiency and productivity across various public sector institutions.

- The Minister of Finance and Planning, Estephan Salameh, warned that the Palestinian National Authority is facing an extremely critical financial crisis due to Israel's withholding of clearance revenues for the tenth consecutive month. Speaking in Ramallah at a press conference last Thursday, he stated that approximately $4.4 billion (around 13 billion shekels) in Palestinian tax revenues is being withheld, funds that make up about 70% of public income, placing essential services—including health, education, and security—at serious risk. He underscored that what the Palestinian people are facing is not a temporary crisis; it is a profound existential threat to the Palestinian economy, to national institutions, and to the Palestinian national project as a whole. This existential threat is caused by, and driven by, the current Israeli government, which has taken a decision to dismantle and destroy the Palestinian National Authority.