

# *UN agency says nearly 600 children killed in renewed Israeli assault on Gaza*

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Geneva, April 22 (RHC)-- UNRWA says Israel has massacred nearly 600 children across Gaza since the regime resumed its genocidal war in March. Citing figures released by the UN children's agency (UNICEF), UNRWA said on Monday that over 1,600 other children were also injured since Israel resumed its assaults on March 18th.

UNRWA warned that the humanitarian situation in Gaza has deteriorated significantly, describing it as likely the worst it has been since the outbreak of the brutal Israeli military campaign in October 2023.

UNICEF has said that Palestinian children had experience a wave of wave of very deadly air strikes over the past few days. "Images of children burning while sheltering in makeshift tents should shake us all to our core," Catherine Russell, UNICEF Executive Director said in a recent social media post.

Ravina Shamdasani, spokeswoman for the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, recently reported that 36 of the 224 documented Israeli strikes in Gaza, between March 18 and April 9th, involved deaths that were only women and children.

UNRWA chief Philippe Lazzarini has also described the situation in Gaza as a “post-apocalyptic” killing zone, calling on the international community to act on Israel’s renewed war on the blockaded territory.

In January, the Israeli regime was forced to agree to a ceasefire deal with Hamas given the regime’s failure to achieve any of its objectives, including the “elimination” of the Palestinian resistance movement or the release of captives.

At least 1,864 Gazans have been killed and nearly 4,900 injured since Israel renewed its intensive attacks and strikes on March 18th. Overall, more than 51,200 Palestinians, the majority of them women and children, have been killed in Gaza.

In November 2024, the International Criminal Court issued arrest warrants for Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and former war minister Yoav Gallant, accusing them of war crimes and crimes against humanity in Gaza.

Israel is also currently facing a genocide case at the International Court of Justice over its actions in the besieged region.

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