Israeli strike kills Red Crescent nurse in Gaza, raising medic death toll to 50



Palestinian mourners pray over the bodies of people killed during overnight Israeli strikes at Al-Shifa Hospital in Gaza City on June 26, 2025. (Photo by AFP) Gaza City, June 29 (RHC)-- The Palestine Red Crescent Society (PRCS) says a nurse at one of its clinics in Gaza has been killed in a new Israeli attack, bringing the number of PRCS medical personnel killed since the start of the genocidal war in October 2023 to 50.

In a statement released in Gaza City, the PRCS said Haitham Bassam Abu Issa, a nurse at the PRCS clinic in Deir el-Balah in central Gaza, was killed while off duty on Thursday. "This brings the total number of PRCS staff and volunteers killed during the conflict to 50 – a deeply shocking figure," the statement added.

The humanitarian organization, Action Against Hunger, also announced that two of its staff members, Mohammed Hussein and Obada Abu Issa, were killed in an Israeli airstrike in a densely populated area of Gaza. According to the charity, neither of the two aid workers was on duty at the time of the raid, which occurred on Thursday.

Mohammed, 20, had worked as an office guard and was hoping to renew his contract. "He gave those around him sincere support without asking for anything in return," the NGO said.

Obada, 30, was a field assistant with the water, sanitation and hygiene team. He leaves behind a wife and two children.

Action Against Hunger has urged "the protection of civilians, including humanitarian workers" and called for "an immediate and permanent ceasefire." The organization stressed that it will continue its mission in Gaza in defiance of Israeli massacres.

Israel waged the genocidal war on Gaza on October 7, 2023, after Hamas-led Palestinian resistance groups launched the surprise Operation Al-Aqsa Storm against the occupying entity in response to the regime's decades-long campaign of bloodletting and devastation against Palestinians.

Since then, at least 56,331 Palestinians have been killed, and 132,632 others wounded. Israel has also imposed a complete blockade on Gaza as part of the regime's wider plan to expel Palestinians from the besieged strip.

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