

Scores of Gazans killed in Israeli strikes amid U.S.-backed aid mockery

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Buildings lie in ruin in Beit Hanoon in the north of the Gaza Strip, on January 7, 2025. [Photo:

Gaza City, May 30 (RHC)-- More than five dozen Palestinians have been killed in the latest Israeli attacks across the Gaza Strip as the regime presses ahead with its brutal military campaign across the besieged Palestinian region.

Palestinian Ministry of Health said Thursday that 67 bodies and 184 injured people had arrived at Gaza hospitals in the past 24 hours.

Gaza's Civil Defense Agency said new Israeli strikes and artillery attacks had killed at least 44 people since early hours of the morning. "Forty-four people have been killed in Israeli raids on the Gaza Strip," civil defense official Mohammad al-Mughayyir was quoting as saying.

He said that the death toll includes 23 people in a strike on a home in the center of the besieged Palestinian territory. "Twenty-three people were killed, others injured and several (are) missing following an Israeli strike on the Qreinawi family's home east of al-Bureij refugee camp in central Gaza."

Mughayyir also reported "two people killed and several injured by Israeli forces' gunfire this morning near the American aid center in the Morag axis, southern Gaza Strip."

Meanwhile, the Gaza Journalists Syndicate said that Palestinian journalist Moataz Raja was "assassinated" by the Israeli army while covering its war on Gaza. The syndicate said that an Israeli strike targeted Raja's vehicle on al-Nafaq Street in Gaza City, killing him instantly. Israeli attacks have killed at least 221 journalists in Gaza since 7 October 2023.

The UN's World Food Programme (WFP) said two Palestinians died while storming a warehouse for food in central Gaza's Deir el-Balah. Gaza's Government Media Office said Israeli forces have killed at least 10 Palestinians and wounded 62 others in two days, after they rushed to get aid from a distribution center under a U.S. and Israeli mechanism.

Analysts, activists, and aid agencies have described the US-Israeli plan for aid relief in Gaza as a "mockery" of humanitarian law.

International aid agencies have already warned that Israeli plans to control aid distribution in Gaza, including the U.S.-backed proposal, will only add to the suffering in the devastated Palestinian territory.

The UN's Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) has warned that the Israel-US-backed aid delivery is wasteful and distracts from atrocities committed in Gaza.

Israel's far-right ruling coalition, led by prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu, has embraced Donald Trump's proposals on Gaza to displace Palestinians permanently outside the territory and turn it into a seaside real-estate development.

During a recent tour of some Arab states of the Persian Gulf, the U.S. president described aerial images of the widespread destruction from Israeli airstrikes on Gaza. "There's practically no building standing. It's not like you're trying to save something," he said.

Despite global outcry to end the "genocidal" assault on the people of Gaza, the Israeli regime recently approved a plan that could lead to the capture of the "entire Gaza Strip."

Arab states have rejected the plan, and the Palestinian resistance movement Hamas has called it ethnic cleansing. Most Gazans have been displaced at least once during 19 months of war between Israel and Hamas.

Israel blocked all aid from entering Gaza on March 2, before resuming its campaign of genocide on March 18 after talks to prolong a six-week ceasefire collapsed.

The Israeli army has killed 3,986 Palestinians and wounded 11,451 others since violating the ceasefire agreement on March 18.

At least 54,249 Palestinians have been killed and 123,492 wounded since the start of Israel's war on Gaza.

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