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PRCS Report Update

From Saturday, October 7, 2023, at 06:00 AM

Until Sunday, October 15, 2023, at 24:00

- For the Ninth day in row, the PRCS teams continued respond to the field accelerations in the southern governorates, following the declaration of State of Emergency by PRCS
- The central emergency operations room at the headquarters and the Operations Room in Gaza continue to operate 24/7

Gaza:

Despite the Israeli army's threat to evacuate PRCS Al-Quds Hospital, the hospital is still providing its services to the wounded, injured, and displaced people out of its national and humanitarian duty.

-The occupation forces are still targeting towers, facilities, and residential buildings, mosques, main streets, and civilian residents in various areas in the southern governorates, which has led to a large number of casualties, including children and women, and the displacement of civilians in search of safety.

- The emergency operations room team and a number of administrative teams were transferred to PRCS's headquarter in Khan Yunis city, "Al Amal City," due to the Israeli occupation's threats for all residents living north of Gaza, in addition to international, health, and humanitarian institutions, with the necessity of evacuating to the South of the Gaza immediately, as the mentioned area will not be safe anymore. Administrative work is currently being overtaken from Khan Yunis Governorate, while ambulances and emergency services remain the same, in Gaza governorate, North Gaza governorates, in addition to Al-Quds Hospital services.

- **Crossing all red lines the occupation forces directly targeted an ambulance belonging to Palestinian Red Crescent Society - PRCS , North Gaza Governorate leading to the martyrdom of three EMS staff: Khalil Al-Sharif - Yousry Al-Masry - Ahmed Dahman.**
- **In a separate incident, and despite that medical staff receiving the green light to respond east of Gaza City, the occupation forces targeted an ambulance belonging to PRCS East of Gaza City, which led to the martyrdom of another EMS staff Hatem Awad, bringing the number of martyred PRCS EMS staff to (4) in less than half an hour.**

- Since the beginning of the accelerations, a number of (15) violations have been recorded against the PRCS's crews and centers, resulting in the martyrdom of (4) EMS staff, the injury of (5) EMS staff, damage to (8) ambulance vehicles, and severe damage to the PRCS's centers in the North Gaza, and damage to PRCS's Emergency Operations Room.
- As a result of the repeated Israeli bombing in the vicinity of PRCS's HQ and ambulance centers, the emergency number 101 for ambulance service witnessed repeated malfunctions, which posed a major challenge in the process of responding to civilians' distress calls.
- The official authorities launched an urgent emergency appeal to the international community and international relief organizations, calling for urgent intervention due to the running out of fuel for the only power plant in Gaza, in addition to the closure of Rafah land crossing, scarcity of fuel supplies, water outage, which heralds a humanitarian disaster affecting most of the vital sectors, most notably health, water and environment sectors.
- Ministry of Health called on international bodies to put their efforts to re-open Rafah land crossing (the sole humanitarian and relief crossing point) as to save lives of the wounded and injured, and to bring in urgent medical supplies and fuel for hospitals and medical centres.
- PRCS ambulance centers are still operating at high capacity in response to current accelerations, as the number of ambulance vehicles operating in the field has reached (32) ambulance vehicles, (3) vehicles on call and special tasks, in addition to (112) paramedics, drivers, first responders, volunteers, and managerial staff.

- Within the last 48 hours, the Israeli army demanded evacuation of several hospitals and health centers, including Al-Quds Hospital, Al-Awda Hospital, Al-Kuwaiti Hospital, Public Service Hospital, Hamad Rehabilitation Hospital, Kamal Adwan Hospital, in addition to the Beit Hanoun and Al-Durrah Children's Hospitals being out of service.

- This evening, the vicinity of PRCS's main headquarter in Gaza and Al-Quds Hospital were subjected to very violent raids, resulting one of the shrapnels to strike the hospital emergency entrance, inflicting severe fear and panic on children and displaced citizens. This comes in light of the occupation's demands for evacuating health centers.

- This bombing led to the destruction of infrastructure surrounding the hospital, which posed a major challenge for ambulances to respond to distress calls. It also led to the flight of another large number of civilians in the vicinity of Al-Quds Hospital to hospital building in search of safety, which increased the number of displaced people at PRCS's headquarters and Al-Quds Hospital. To more than 4,500 citizens.

- The total statistics according to the official sources of the cases since the beginning of the accelerations (2450) martyrs, including (724) children and (458) women, in addition to more than (9200) injuries including (2450) children and (1536) women.

The total cases dealt with by PRCS ambulance teams since the beginning of the accelerations are (4174)

cases, including (893) fatalities and (3281) injuries

- Al-Quds Hospital received some cases, including (419), of them (415) were injuries, (4) martyres, and (9) cases as referrals to intensive care.
- PRCS Al-Amal Hospital received (324) injuries.
- PRCS ambulance service’s means of communication and the VHF waves are constantly subjected to deliberate interference by the occupation, as they receive calls, insults and hurled in Hebrew. In addition, PRCS lines are deliberately occupied for long periods to disrupt the ambulance service.
- The tasks of retrieving the martyrs face great difficulty in light of the lack of tools and equipment necessary to remove the rubble, while hundreds of martyrs are still under the rubble of their homes which were bombed by the occupation without prior warning.
- The displacement of a very large number of citizens from governorates border areas to the heart of cities was recorded in shelter centers or with host families. The (UNRWA) announced that its centers received more than 400,000 displaced people in its shelter centers, while official sources announced the number of displaced people has increased to more than 500,000 in different regions.
- The Israeli targeting affected schools, as the occupation put (14) schools out of service due to severe damage, while (143) schools were damaged to varied degrees, which exacerbated the suffering of the displaced in addition to being overcrowded in shelter centers.
- Since the beginning of the accelerations, PRCS crews have dealt with a number of (6,800) citizens who were displaced to Al-Quds Hospital, PRCS HQ in Tal Al-Hawa neighborhood in Gaza, and to Al-Amal Hospital in Khan Yunis, where blankets, mattresses, and water were provided.
- Due to the Israeli army’s threats to target civilians, it was not possible to provide urgent field relief services in Gaza governorate and North Gaza governorates. Relief services were limited to providing services to the displaced in Al-Quds Hospital and Al-Amal Hospital, where blankets, hygiene tools, and drinking water were distributed.
- Psychological intervention teams continue to provide first psychological aid to ambulance teams working in current events, providing the service to (850) beneficiaries.
- Community awareness committees provided their services to the target groups from the beginning of the ecelerations until today, as the total interventions were as follows:
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Service Type	Female	Male	Beneficieries	Intervensions
Awareness & Advocacy	8923	3540	12463	1670

First Aid	460	290	750	530
Health follow up for diabetes, blood pressure, and pregnant	194	170	364	250
Psycho- social support	29550	15000	44550	-
Total	39127	19000	58127	2450

- Disaster Risk Management teams continues to provide urgent relief assistance for the displaced families whose homes were demolished in other governorates in coordination with partner service providers. Details are as following:

Governorate	Individuals	Families	Dignity Kits	Hygiene kits	Carpet	Water Gallon	Kitchen Set	Blanket	Mattress
Gaza	301	50	55	7	50	66	40	178	181
Mid	153	26	0	0	0	23	23	92	46
Khan Younis	245	45	0	44	0	1	45	140	90
Rafah	197	29	0	0	0	15	29	116	58
Displaced in Al Quds & Al Amal Hospitals	0	0	0	15	0	0	0	500	250
Total	896	150	55	66	50	105	137	1026	625

West Bank:

- The number of PRCS EMS/ Ambulances on duty is (59) ambulances, with a human capacity of (114) staff and volunteers (incl. paramedics, drivers), in addition to (56) first responders.
- The total number of cases that PRCS EMS/ Ambulance teams have dealt with in the West Bank since Saturday, October 7, 2023 is (1254), in addition to (20) martyres until Sunday 15 October 2023 , 24:00, while PRCS crews dealt with (9) injuries on Sunday. The following table shows further injuries details:

Governorate	Live bullets/ Transport	Gas/ Field	Beat/ Transport
Nablus	1	4	1
Tubas	2	0	0
Hebron	0	0	1

Violations against PRCS in West Bank:

Since the beginning of Israeli military attack on Gaza Strip and declaration of a state of war, the Palestinian Red Crescent Society- PRCS crews have faced many challenges and violations in the West Bank, where 34 incidents were reported and resulting 48 violations in West Bank, distributed as follows:

Violation		#	
Access prevention		16	
Access obstruction		12	
Violations against crews, distributed as following:		15	
Detention	Threaten by: weapon/ verbal	9	6
Violations against ambulances, distributed as following:		5	
Gun shot	Stones throwing	4	1
TOTAL		48	

These violations resulted damage to (5) ambulances, while **no injuries** were recorded among the EMS crews.

Violations recorded details where as the following:

Violations	Governorate	Date
Prevention for 3 of our EMS teams from passing through Huwara checkpoint and were detained for more than half an hour. Afterward, the team proceeded through Awarta checkpoint, which was closed with an iron gate with no soldiers present. They were allowed to pass after coordination, taking more than an hour.	,Nablus Huwara Checkpoint	October 7, 2023
The EMS/ ambulance team was obstructed for 20 minutes while transporting a live gunshot injury case from Beita through Awarta checkpoint	,Nablus Awarta Checkpoint	October 7, 2023
The EMS/ ambulance team was obstructed for 12 minutes while moving to Beit Furik to reach an injured through Beit Furik checkpoint.	Nablus, Beit Furik Checkpoint	October 7, 2023
The EMS/ambulance team was obstructed for 20 minutes while moving to Beit Furik to reach an injured through Beit Furik checkpoint. (this is a different case from the mentioned above).	Nablus, Beit Furik Checkpoint	October 7, 2023
Military forces topped a private ambulance carrying EMS team due to a malfunction in the PRCS ambulance. The team was detained for about two hours, and after coordinating with ICRC, they were released	-Jerusalem Al Eizariya	October 7, 2023
The EMS /ambulance team was obstructed at Huwwara checkpoint for more then 28 minutes .	,Nablus Huwara Checkpoint	October 8, 2023
The EMS /ambulance team was obstructed for 10 minutes while moving to Qaryut through Huwwara checkpoint. Then they were stopped again at Einabus roundabout, with their vehicle	Nablus	October 8, 2023

inspected before allowed to proceed.		
The EMS /ambulance team was unable to return to the Nablus center from Beita using Awarta checkpoint, which was closed and unattended by soldiers. Despite coordination with ICRC, the checkpoint was not opened, forcing the team to return to the Beita ambulance center.	,Nablus Awarta checkpoint	October 8, 2023
While transporting a gunshot injury in the neck, the team was unable to pass through Awarta checkpoint, which was closed .After contacting ICRC, the EMS team was instructed to go through Huwara checkpoint, where their passage was obstructed for several minutes before the checkpoint was opened for them. (the violation lasted approximately 10 minutes)	Nablus	October 8, 2023
After the clashes in Beita town had ended and while the EMS/ ambulance vehicle was attempting to leave the town to return to Nablus, the Israeli forces obstructed their passage, pointed lasers at them, and fired warning shots to force them to turn back.	Nablus, Beita	October 8, 2023
The EMS /ambulance team was prevented from reaching a live gunshot injury case in Al-Ram. Ambulance vehicle was inspected ,and PRCS EMS team phones (two individuals) were confiscated. Subsequently, the team was forced to return without reaching the injured person.	,erusalem Al-Ram	October 8, 2023
Live ammunition was directly fired at PRCS ambulance vehicle ,even though it was stationed in a safe location. This resulted a bullet penetrating the vehicle's structure.	,Ramallah near the Beit El settlement	October 8, 2023
After receiving a report from the Palestinian civil coordination office about an injured person detained by Israeli forces at Huwwara checkpoint, the EMS/ ambulance team headed to receive him. PRCS ambulance vehicle's engine was turned off (by force), and inspected by Israeli forces, leading to the detention of EMS staff consisting of two individuals for about 10 minutes. After coordinating with ICRC, EMS team were allowed to return back outside the checkpoint. Following a waiting time of approximately 15 minutes, they were handed the injured person, who was a 60-year-old man suffering from kidney disease in addition to his injury.	Nablus	October 9, 2023
While the PRCS / EMS team was heading to cover the clashes in the Al Mazra'a Al Gharbiyyeh town in West Bank, Israeli forces stopped PRCS ambulance, disembarked the EMS team, physically assaulted them, threw them to the ground, confiscated their phones, threatened them with death, and detained the team for half an hour. Their phones were not returned.	Ramallah	October 9, 2023
When EMS crew was covering accelerations near Huwwara, a group of settlers attacked the ambulance vehicle with stones causing damages in vehicle structure.	Nublus	October 9, 2023
Live ammunition was directly fired at PRCS ambulance vehicle, even though it was stationed in a safe location. This resulted a bullet penetrating the vehicle's structure.	Jenin, Al- Jalameh checkpoint	October 8, 2023
During coverage of accelerations in Hawara, settlers attacked PRCS ambulance by throwing stones , causing damage to the external structure. Israeli forces also prevented EMS team from covering the accelerations in the area.	Nablus, Hawara	October 8, 2023
The occupation forces detained an ambulance at the entrance of Beit Fajj village for 50 minutes. There was a kidney patient in the vehicle, and EMS crew was prevented from reaching earlier.	Bethlehem	October 10, 2023
The Israeli occupation forces prevented the PRCS/ EMS ambulance crew from reaching the injured and obstructed the ambulance for 10 minutes to reach the wounded	Jenin at the Jalameh	October 10, 2023

	checkpoint	
PRCS/ EMS ambulance team was directly fired upon, and the PRCS vehicle was hit while performing humanitarian duties at the Beit El checkpoint.	Ramallah	October 10, 2023
Israeli forces prevented the PRCS/ EMS ambulance crew from reaching the injuries within the town of Silwan, and the casualties were later declared as fatalities in.	Jerusalem	October 10, 2023
When EMS crew headed to provide medical services for a 4 months old child suffering from gas suffocation in the city of Nablus, the occupation forces obstructed the arrival to the site of the injured.	Nablus	October 11, 2023
When EMS crew headed from Bethlehem city to Beit Ummar, the occupation forces prevented the crew from reaching location.	Bethlehem	October 12, 2023
When the ambulance crew headed to transport an injured person, the occupation forces prevented the ambulance from reaching the site of the injured person, in addition to threatening the crew with weapons, forcing the crew out of vehicle and searching it.	Hebron	October 12, 2023
The occupation forces prevented the ambulance from reaching Qalqilya Hospital, attacked the crew and fired into the air.	Qalqilia	October 12, 2023
The occupation forces prevented the ambulance from reaching a number of injuries in Jayyous town	Qalqilia	October 12, 2023
ambulance in Bidya was prevented from entering Salfit while transporting a case of a pregnant woman.	Salfit	October 13, 2023
Occupation forces detained ambulance at the Beit Furik checkpoint and prevented reaching confrontations site	Nablus	October 13, 2023
The occupation forces prevented ambulance crew from reaching the main street in Hawara, while after coordination with the Red Cross, they were still not allowed to pass. Thus, the crew headed to another entrance as to reach the town of Osrin.	Nablus	October 13, 2023
While ambulance was heading from Nablus EMS center to Beit Furik town to cover the confrontations in the area, the occupation forces detained the crew at the entrance to the town and prevented them from passing for an hour.	Nablus	October 13, 2023
While the crew was evacuating casualties from a civilian private vehicle, and when they were transporting the last casualty (who had a serious head injury), the occupation forces opened fire in the area where there were no confrontations or existence of any other human being. The crew took cover behind the vehicles until the shooting stopped, after which all the crew came out, continued dealing with the injured person, then withdrew from the site.	Tulkarem	October 13, 2023
While PRCS EMS crew was standing in a safe area and during the confrontations in the Jeshore and San'oz areas. The occupation forces opened fire on the crew and ambulance, which led to damages in vehicle structure by a bullet which hit the back door from above.	Tulkarem	October 13, 2023
PRCS was informed that a young man had been wounded by live bullets at the Hawara checkpoint (Baraka Junction). Upon arriving at the checkpoint, ambulance was prevented from approaching the injury. Weapons were raised on the crew and were forced to return back, as we were informed that the army ambulance was dealing with the injury.	Nablus	October 13, 2023

PRCS Disaster Risk Management Department in the West Bank:

- PRCS Disaster Risk Management Department in the West Bank continues to provide relief assistance to Gaza workers who have been displaced by Israeli forces from their workplaces in

the occupied territories to West Bank governorates, as relief items were provided for (345) individuals, as the following:

Date	Governorates	Shelter	Individuals	Kitchen sets	Hygiene Kits	Blankets	Matresses	Towels
10\10\2023	Tubas	Al Fara'a Orphans school	37	0	0	37	37	0
10\10\2023	Ramallah & Bireh	Ramallah Recreational Building	100	0	15	200	100	0
11\10\2023	Qalqilia	Zakat Committee building	20	7	7	40	20	0
12\10\2023	Nablus		70	0	0	70	70	0
12\10\2023	Ramallah & Al Bireh	Al Malki bldg.	118		5	100	0	100
12\10\2023	Ramallah & Al Bireh	Ramallah Shelter	0	0	150	0	0	0
12\10\2023	Jerusalem	Vocational training centres	35	0	4	35	10	0

PRCS Mental Health Department in the West Bank:

- PRCS Mental Health Department is disseminating sponsored awareness messages on social media related to psychosocial support during times of war and crises. Below is the details of psycho- social interventions:

Governorate	Intervention	Number	Shelters	Needs
Ramallah, Tubas, Qalqilia, Jenin, Tulkarem, Jericho, Bethlehem, Hebron	Needs assessment with counterparts institutions	1737	16	-The basic needs that workers demand and talked about are related to basic personal and health matters. -Communication with their families

	nt with partners		distribution & organizing	devices		support for martyres families	social support for injured	for families and patients in hospitals	social support publications /social media pages
Ramallah & Bireh	Done	0	610	0	0	0	0	coordinate d to be visited	Awaiting to receive the number reached, interactions and participati on from company
Hebron	Done	150	70	0	0	1	1	40	
Bethlehem	Done	0		0	0	0	0	0	
Jenin	Done	180	3	0	0	0	0	0	
Qalqilia	Done	3	0	0	2	0	2	0	
Tulkarem	Done	28	0	0	0	1	1	0	
Nablus	Done	0	0	1 wheel chair, air mattresses	0	0	0	1	
Tubas	Done	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Jericho	Done	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total		376	683		2	2	4	41	