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PRCS Report Update
From Saturday, October 7, 2023, at 06:00 AM
Until Saturday, October 14, 2023, at 10:00

- For the **eight day** in a row, PRCS teams continue to respond to field incidents (escalation development) in the southern governorates following the declaration of a state of emergency within the PRCS.
- The Central Emergency Operations Room continues to operate 27\7 in PRCS headquarters and in the Gaza Strip.
- PRCS is relocating its emergency operations room from Gaza City to Khan Yunis center- keeping the field teams providing services across the Gaza strip. Communication is done in the best way possible given the weak communication network.
- In a grave violation that surpasses all red lines, the occupation forces directly targeted an ambulance belonging to the Palestinian Red Crescent Society in the northern Gaza governorate, resulting in the martyrdom of three paramedics: Khalil Al-Sharif, Yassir Al-Masri, and Ahmed Dahman.
- In another violation, despite medical teams receiving clearance to respond in the eastern part of Gaza City, the occupation forces targeted an ambulance belonging to the PRCS, leading to the martyrdom of paramedic Hatem Awad, bringing the total number of martyred paramedics in the organization to (4).
- Since the beginning of the escalation, (15) violations against PRCS teams and premises have been recorded, resulting in the martyrdom of (4) paramedics, injuries to (5) ambulance crews, damage to (8) vehicles, severe damage to ICRC building in northern Gaza, and damage to the Emergency Operations Room.
- The occupation forces continue to target towers, facilities, residential buildings, mosques, major streets, and civilian populations in various areas of the southern governorates, leading to a high number of fatalities, including displaced children and women.
- Due to the continuous bombardment of the IOF in the surrounding of the PRCS headquarters in Tal El Hawa and ambulance centers, the 101 ambulance service lines faced a massive damage, which posed a major challenge in the process of responding to distress calls from the civilians.
- Official entities have urgently appealed to the international community and international humanitarian organizations due to the depletion of fuel for the sole electricity generation station in Gaza, the closure of the Rafah border crossing, a shortage of fuel supplies, and water cuts. This situation poses a humanitarian catastrophe that affects vital sectors, notably health, water, and the environment.
- EMS stations are still operating at high capacity in response to the current escalation, as the number of ambulances operating in the field reached (32) ambulances, (3) vehicles on standby, special tasks, and (112) paramedics, drivers, first responders, volunteers and administration).
- Al-Durra Children's Hospital was out of service due to being targeted by international forbidden phosphorus shells, as patients were evacuated to other hospitals, and the Israeli occupation forces threatened Al-Awda Hospital in northern Gaza with evacuation.

- The total statistics according to the official sources of cases since the beginning of the escalation (1950) martyrs, including (447) children and (284) women, in addition to more than (7850) injuries, including (2000) children and (1400) women.
- The total cases dealt with by the PRCS/EMS ambulance crews since the beginning of the escalation are (3629) cases, including (727) martyrs and (2902) injuries.
- Al-Quds Hospital received (394) cases, including (390) injuries and (4) martyrs, and received (9) transferred intensive care cases.
- Al-Amal Hospital received (203) injuries.
- The means of communication of the ambulance service in the PRCS and the VHF waves are subjected to deliberate interference by the occupation, as they are contacted and insulted in Hebrew and the lines are occupied for long periods to disrupt the ambulance service.
- The displacement of a very large number of citizens from the border areas in the governorates to the heart of cities has been recorded in shelters or with host families, as the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) announced that its centers received more than 200,000 displaced people in its shelters, while official sources announced an increase in the number of displaced people by more than 330,000 displaced people in different areas
- The governorates of Gaza and northern Gaza faced a Mass movement of civilians (fearing for their lives) towards the central and southern governorates, after the Israeli occupation forces asked / forced the civilian population to evacuate their places of residence, and during the displacement process, the occupation bombarded citizens' vehicles on Salah al-Din Street, which cause a large number of victims, most of them were women and children, and the Israeli aircrafts targeted an ambulance belonging to the Palestinian Ministry of Health while trying to rescue the injured people.
- The Palestine Red Crescent Society headquarters in Gaza City and Al-Quds Hospital received thousands of displaced civilians seeking safety, after the Israeli occupation forces threatened them to leave their homes.
- Since the beginning of the escalation, the PRCS teams have dealt with (6800) citizens who were displaced to Al-Quds Hospital and the Society's headquarters in the Tel Al-Hawa neighborhood in Gaza and at Al-Amal Hospital in Khan Younis, where blankets, mattresses and water were provided.
- Due to IOF threats to target civilians, urgent field relief services could not be provided/ stopped in Gaza city and North Gaza governorates.
- Due to direct targeting and shelling, the Rafah border crossing (the sole passage) has been closed in both directions, affecting passenger movement until further notice.

- In coordination with service providers and partners, the disaster risk management teams of the PRCS continue to provide urgent humanitarian assistance to displaced families whose homes have been demolished. The details are as follows:

Governorate	Beneficiaries (families)	Individuals	Mattress	Personal hygiene	Blanket	Kitchen Set	Water bottles	Carpet	Dignity Kits
Gaza	50	301	181	7	178	40	66	50	55
Mid	26	153	46	0	92	23	23	0	0
Khan Younis	45	245	90	44	140	45	1	0	0
Rafah	29	197	58	0	116	29	15	0	0
Total	150	896	375	51	526	137	105	50	55

- The psychological first aid intervention teams continue to provide psychological first aid to the general ambulance teams. The service has been provided to a total of 407 beneficiaries as of the current date.
- Community awareness committees have been providing their services to the targeted groups since the beginning of the escalations up to the current date. The total interventions are as follows:

Service / intervention Type	# of services	Total Beneficiaries	Male	Female
Awareness & Advocacy	1670	12463	3540	8923
First Aid	530	750	290	460
Health check up for diabetes, blood pressure, and pregnant	250	364	170	194
Psycho- social support		44550	15000	29550
Total	2450	58127	19000	39127

- The Emergency Operations Room continues to monitor the situation and the level of emergency, and operations are conducted in accordance with the emergency plan.

Violations against the services of the Palestinian Red Crescent Society in the West Bank:

Since the beginning of the Israeli military offensive on the Gaza Strip and the declaration of a state of war, the teams of the PRCS have encountered numerous challenges and violations in the West Bank, including the following:

Date	Location	Violations description
October 7, 2023	Nablus Huwara Checkpoint	The team (3 persons) was prevented from passing through Huwara checkpoint and detained for more than half an hour, after which the team proceeded to Awarta checkpoint, which was closed with no soldiers present. They were allowed to pass after coordination, which took over an hour.
October 7, 2023	Nablus Awarta Checkpoint	While transporting a gunshot wound in the foot patient from Beita through Awarta checkpoint. Their passage was hindered for 20 minutes.
October 7, 2023	Nablus, Beit Furik Checkpoint	The team's passage to Beit Furik town was hindered by Israeli forces for 12 minutes at Beit Furik checkpoint.
October 7, 2023	Nablus, Beit Furik Checkpoint	The team's passage to Beit Furik town was hindered by Israeli forces for over 20 minutes at Beit Furik checkpoint.
October 7, 2023	Al-Eizariya- Jerusalem	A private ambulance (due to a malfunction in the PRCS ambulance vehicle), with the PRCS's team on board, was stopped. The team was detained for about two hours, and after coordination with the ICRC, they were released.
October 8, 2023	,Nablus Huwara Checkpoint	The team's passage was obstructed at Huwara checkpoint for over 28 minutes.
October 8, 2023	Nablus	The team's passage to Qaryout was hindered for a few minutes at Huwara checkpoint, and then they were stopped at Einabus roundabout, where the vehicle was inspected before they were allowed to pass (the entire violation lasted 10 minutes).
October 8, 2023	Bethlehem	As the crew went to Beit Fajjar village, the Israeli occupation forces detained the ambulance for more than 25 minutes.

October 8, 2023	Nablus Awarta checkpoint	The team couldn't return to the Nablus ambulance center from Beita through Awarta checkpoint, which was closed with no soldiers present. Despite coordination with the ICRC, the checkpoint was not opened, and the team had to return to Beita's ambulance center.
October 8, 2023	Nablus	While transporting a gunshot wound in the neck patient, the team couldn't pass through Awarta checkpoint, which was closed. After ICRC, they were directed to pass through Huwara checkpoint. Their passage was obstructed for several minutes before the checkpoint was opened for them (the entire violation took about 10 minutes).
October 8, 2023	Beita,Nablus	After the end of clashes in Beita town, and while attempting to exit the village and return to Nablus, Israeli forces prevented the team's passage. They used lasers and warning shots to force the ambulance to return.
October 8, 2023	Al-Ram, Jerusalem	The team was prevented from reaching a live gunshot wound patient in Ramallah, and the ambulance was meticulously inspected. The team members' phones (two persons) were confiscated during this time. The team was then forced to return without reaching the injured person.
October 8, 2023	near the Beit El settlement, Ramallah	Live ammunition was directly fired at the ambulance vehicle, despite it being parked in a safe location, resulting in a bullet penetrating the vehicle's structure.
October 9, 2023	Nablus	After receiving a report from the Palestinian District Liaison (DCO) of an injury held with the Israeli forces at Huwara checkpoint, the team went to retrieve the patient. The ambulance's engine was turned off, and the vehicle was inspected by Israeli forces. The team of two persons was detained for about 10 minutes. After coordination with ICRC, they were allowed to return outside the checkpoint. After waiting for about 15 minutes, the injured person, a 60-year-old kidney patient, was handed over to them.
October 9, 2023	Ramallah	While heading to cover clashes in the Western Farm area, Israeli forces stopped the ambulance vehicle, disembarked the team, assaulted them, threw them on the ground, confiscated the team's phones, and threatened to kill them. The team was detained for half an hour, and their phones were not returned.
October 9, 2023	Nablus	Live ammunition was directly fired at the ambulance vehicle, despite it being in a safe location, causing a bullet to penetrate the vehicle's structure.
October 9, 2023	Nablus	As the crew was going to Beita to attend to a sick patient, the Israeli occupation forces prevented the crew from reaching the site.
October 8, 2023	Jenin, Al-Jalameh checkpoint	During coverage of the escalations in Hawara, Israeli settlers attacked the ambulance car by throwing stones, causing damage to the external structure. Israeli forces hindered the team from covering the escalations in the area.
October 8, 2023	Hawara,Nablus	Israeli occupation forces detained an ambulance at the entrance of Beit Fajjar village for 50 minutes. The ambulance was carrying a kidney patient, and the crew was prevented from covering the events in the area.
October 10, 2023	Bethlehem	Israeli forces prevented the ambulance crew from reaching the patient and obstructed the ambulance for 10 minutes at the Jalameh checkpoint.
October 10, 2023	Jenin at the Jalameh	A Ramallah ambulance crew was directly targeted with live ammunition, and their vehicle was hit while performing their humanitarian duty at the Beit El checkpoint.

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October 10, 2023	Ramallah	Israeli occupation forces prevented the ambulance crew from reaching the injured persons in Silwan town. Subsequently, the injured persons were declared martyrs.
October 10, 2023	Jerusalem	The team (3 persons) was prevented from passing through Huwara checkpoint and detained for more than half an hour, after which the team proceeded to Awarta checkpoint, which was closed with no soldiers present. They were allowed to pass after coordination, which took over an hour.
October 11, 2023	Nablus	As the EMS/ PRCS crew went to provide first aid for a child (4 months old girl) due to gas suffocation injury in Nablus, the Israeli occupation forces obstructed the crew's access to the injury site.
October 11, 2023	Jerusalem	The occupation forces prevented the ambulance crew from reaching the injured inside the town of Silwan, and the injured were later declared killed (2 fatalities)
October 12, 2023	Bethlehem	As the ambulance crew went from Bethlehem to Beit Ummar, the Israeli occupation forces prevented the crew from reaching Beit Ummar.
October 12, 2023	Hebron	As the ambulance crew went to evacuate an injured, the Israeli occupation forces prevented them access to the injured site, in addition to threatening the crew with weapons, and removing the crew from the vehicle and searching it.
October 12, 2023	Qalqilya	Israeli occupation forces prevented the ambulance from reaching Qalqilya Hospital, and attacked the crew and fired live ammunition in the air.
October 12, 2023	Qalqilya	Israeli occupation forces prevented the crew from reaching a number of injuries in Jayyous
October 13, 2023	Salfit	Preventing the Palestine Red Crescent ambulance in Bidya from entering Salfit during the transfer of a pregnant woman case.
October 13, 2023	Nablus	Detention of an ambulance at Beit Furik checkpoint and preventing passage to the site of the clashes
October 13, 2023	Nablus	Israeli occupation forces prevented the ambulance crew from moving through the main street in Hawara, and after coordination through ICRC, they were not allowed to pass. The crew went was forced to use another entrance so that they could reach the town of Osarin
October 13, 2023	Nablus	As the crew went from Nablus Station to the town of Beit Furik to cover the clashes in the area, Israeli occupation forces detained the crew at the entrance of the town and prevented it from passing for an hour.
October 13, 2023	Nablus	During moving from Nablus EMS station to Beit Furik village, the israeli occupation forces stopped EMS ambulance and denied their access for one hour.

Disaster Management Unity in the West Bank:

- The PRCS Disaster Management team provided humanitarian aid to Gazan workers who were displaced by the Israeli forces from their workplaces in the occupied territories to the West Bank governorates. Humanitarian aid was provided to a total of 345 individuals.

Date	Governorates	Shelters	individuales	matresses	Blankets	Hygiene kits	Kitchen supplies	Towel
10/10/2023	Tubas	Al Fara'a Orphans school	37	37	37	0	0	0
10/10/2023	Ramallah & Al Bireh	Ramallah Recreational Building	100	100	200	15	0	0
11/10/2023	Qalqilia	Zakat Committee building	20	20	40	7	7	0
12/10/2023	Nablus	Nablus Municipality Cultural Center - Hamdi Mango	70	70	70	0	0	0
12/10/2023	Ramallah & Al Bireh	Ramallah Almaleki Building	118		100	5	0	100
12/10/2023	Jerusalem	Vocational training centers	35	10	35	4	0	0
12/10/2023	Ramallah & Al Bireh	Ramallah governatre shelter	0	0	0	150	0	0

Mental Health Department in the West Bank:

- The Mental Health Department disseminates funded awareness messages on social media platforms related to psychosocial support during times of war and crises. Interventions are detailed as follows:

Location	Interventions	Number of Gaza workers	Number of shelters	Need
Ramallah, Tubas, Qalqilya, Jenin, Tulkarem, Jericho, Bethlehem, Hebron	Joint Need assessment with MHPSS organizations	1737	16	The basic needs that workers needed personal health kits. Treatment & Medications not available Psychosocial Support Services
Hebron, Jericho, Jenin	Psychological first aid- PFA	225	4	Continue providing PFA
Ramallah, Hebron: Tarqumia	Voluntary work: distribution and coordination	1135	4	