

ARIJ Daily Report

Applied Research Institute - Jerusalem (ARIJ)

P.O Box 860, Caritas Street – Bethlehem Phone: (+972) 2 2741889, Fax: (+972) 2 2776966 pmaster@arij.org | http://www.arij.org

Israeli Violations' Activities in the oPt

22 May 2017

The daily report highlights the violations behind Israeli home demolitions and demolition threats in the occupied Palestinian territory, the confiscation and razing of lands, the uprooting and destruction of fruit trees, the expansion of settlements and erection of outposts, the brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army, the Israeli settlers violence against Palestinian civilians and properties, the erection of checkpoints, the construction of the Israeli segregation wall and the issuance of military orders for the various Israeli purposes.

The Violations are based on reports provided by field workers and \or news sources.

The text is not quoted directly from the sources but is edited for clarity.

The daily report does not necessarily reflect ARIJ's opinion.

Brutality of the Israeli Occupation Army

• A Palestinian "youth" was injured during clashes in central Gaza, along the border with Israel, when Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) hot the Palestinian in the leg with live ammunition. The Palestinian, in his twenties, was injured during clashes east of the Bureij refugee camp, that had erupted after Palestinians took to the border to protest in solidarity with some 1,300 Palestinian prisoners, who entered their 36th day of hunger strike on Monday. (Maannews 22 May 2017).

- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) stationed at the Kissufim military post northeast of Khan Yunis in southern Gaza opened fire at Palestinian farmers tending to their land near the Palestinian side of the border fence. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) operating at the Abu Muteibeiq military post opened fire at Palestinian farmland east of al-Maghazi refugee camp in the central Gaza Strip. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) gunboats opened fire at Palestinian fishermen off the coast of Rafah in the southern Gaza Strip, forcing fishermen to sail back to shore under the pretext that fishing boat deviated from the designated fishing zone. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- A number of Palestinians suffered from tear gas inhalation as Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) raided the Hebron-area town of Beit Ummar in the southern occupied West Bank, causing clashes to erupt between locals and the IOA. The IOA fired tear gas and sound bombs at locals, adding that the IOA closed the northern entrance of the town and prevented Palestinians from passing through the entrance. The clashes came after the IOA raided Beit Ummar and detained a young Palestinian man. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Clashes broke out between the Israeli occupation Army and Local Palestinians the IOA suppressed demonstrations launched in solidarity with more than 1,300 Palestinian prisoners who entered their 36th day on hunger strike IN Ramallah Governorate. The IOA fired both live ammunition and rubber-coated steel bullets at Palestinian protesters who marched from Ramallah city to Israel's Qalandyia military checkpoint. A young man who was hit with a live bullet in the abdomen. Seven others were shot with live fire, and 10 were shot with rubber-coated steel bullets. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- In the Ramallah-area village of Nabi Saleh, two Palestinian "youth" were injured with live ammunition during clashes that erupted with Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at the entrance of the village, after the IOA suppressed a solidarity march in solidarity with more than 1,300 Palestinian prisoners who entered their 36th day on hunger strike. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Clashes broke out in the Zif community between Yatta and Hebron city in the southern occupied West Bank, after Israeli occupation Army (IOA) suppressed a peaceful march from a sit-in tent established in solidarity with the prison hunger strike. The IOA shot live fire into the air and fired tear gas canisters at protesters, causing at least two Palestinians to suffer from tear gas inhalation. (Maannews 22 May 2017).

- Clashes erupted between Palestinian youth and Israeli occupation Army (IOA) at the Bab al-Zawiya area of Hebron city. The IOA fired tear gas and rubber-coated steel bullets at Palestinians, causing no injuries. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Two Palestinian youths were injured by rubber bullets and many others choked on tear gas in Azzun village, east of Qalqilya city, after Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) closed its main entrance. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Two Palestinian youths were injured by Israeli live bullets, while a third was shot by a rubber one. Others choked on tear gas after Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired tear gas canisters at the entrance of Deir Sharaf town, west of Nablus city. (PALINFO 22 May 2017).
- In occupied East Jerusalem, three young men were shot by rubber bullets and about ten others suffered suffocation during clashes that erupted near Qalandiya crossing to the north of the city. (PALINFO 22 May 2017).
- Israeli Special Forces assaulted a Palestinian man along with his son near Damascus gate in Occupied Jerusalem before arresting the son. (PALINFO 22 May 2017).
- Clashes erupted between local Palestinians and the Israeli occupation Army (IOA) in Silat Ad Daher village south of Jenin city where the latter fired tear gas bombs at protestors causing tens of suffocation cases. (WAFA 22 May 2017).

Israeli Arrests

- Israeli occupation Army (IOA) detained five Palestinians near the Hebron -area town of Beit Ummar in the southern occupied West Bank, while the five were attempting to extinguish a fire close to the nearby illegal Israeli Gush Etzion settlement when they were detained by the IOA. The detainees were identified as Ghazi Ahmad Adi, 35, Omar Muhammad Abed al-Hamid Ekhlayil, 28, and Jamal Nayef Badir Adi, 25. The two others, whose identities remained unknown, were from the nearby town of Surif. The five were taken to the Etzion detention center. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) arrested two Palestinian minors in Wad Qubboun neighborhood west of Hebron after chasing and shooting at them. Both Palestinians were captured during clashes that erupted in al-Ramah Suburb in the city between Palestinian youths and IO soldiers. (PALINFO 22 May 2017).
- Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired tear gas grenades at the home of al-Himouni family in down Hebron city. The owner of the house

- suffered breathing problems due to the intensive firing of teargas canisters. IOF troops also erected a military barrier at the entrance of Beit Ummar town, north of the city, and stopped the passing by cars for search purposes. (PALINFO 22 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) stormed Tuqu' village east of Bethlehem city, arrested Malek al-Amour, 17, and confiscated his father's vehicle after raiding and searching his family's house. (PALINFO 22 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA)handed Hazem al-Badin, 18, from Tuqu', an order to appear before the Israeli Intelligence in Gush Etzion settlement, south of Bethlehem, after raiding and searching his family's house. (PALINFO 22 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested Mohammed Za'aqiq, 22, after storming Beit Ummar town to the north of the city and searching his house and tampering with its contents. Za'aqiq was taken to Gush Etzion interrogation center, south of Bethlehem. (PALINFO 22 May 2017)
- The Israeli occupation Army (IOA) arrested three Palestinian youths from Askar refugee camp to the east of Nablus city during the clashes that erupted at dawn after the IO soldiers broke into the camp. The three were identified as Mu'tasem Ar Refa'i, Bahaa Abu Kushuk and Anees Al Ashqar. (PALINFO 22 May 2017)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Clashes erupted between local Palestinians and Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) who escorted some 4,000 right-wing Israelis to Joseph's Tomb east of Nablus in the northern occupied West Bank, when at least two Palestinians were detained and several others suffered from tear gas inhalation. Among the group of Israelis who arrived to the site under armed protection was Mike Huckabee, former US governor of the state of Arkansas, who ran against Donald Trump in the Republican presidential race. Fierce clashes broke out between dozens of young Palestinians and the IOA who escorted the group, with Israeli soldiers firing tear gas canisters and stun grenades at the protesters who pelted soldiers stones and empty bottles. The IOA also detained an unspecified number of young Palestinian men when they stormed Nablus city to escort the group to Joseph's Tomb. (Maannews 22 May 2017).
- Israeli settlers of the illegal West Bank settlement of Yitzhar torched Palestinian agricultural lands west of Burin village, south of Nablus

city. Large land areas planted with olive trees were gutted in the fire. (PALINFO 22 May 2017).

Confiscation & Razing of lands

• Israeli machinery and bulldozers escorted by Israeli occupation Army (IOA) razed land near Arraba military camp in Jenin, and prevented Palestinian land owners and herders from coming near the area. (WAFA 22 May, 2017)

Israeli Closures

• Israeli occupation Army (IOA) closed the southern entrance of Al Khader village south of Bethlehem city, known as "An Nashash entrance" with iron gate and obstructed the movement of Palestinian vehicles into and out of the village. (WAFA 22 May 2017)