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Israeli Violations' Activities in the occupied State of Palestine

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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.

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Violations of the Israeli occupation Army

- Three Palestinian children were injured, due to tear gas inhalation, after Israeli troops fired tear-gas canisters against protestors at the weekly protest of Kufur Qaddoum village, east of the northern West Bank city of Qalqilia. The protest, staged on Fridays, in protest of Israel's Apartheid Wall, settlements and the closure of the main road for the past 16 years. Israeli soldiers heavily fired toxic tear-gas canisters at Palestinian protesters as well as some surrounding civilian homes. One of the tear gas canisters hit the home of Diya Eshteivi, causing inhalation injuries of Diya, his wife and his three children, all under the age of 6. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) invaded the town of Ya'bad, south of the northern West Bank city of Jenin, before invading and ransacking a home, and detained a mother and her teenage daughter. Invasion into the town was carried out by more than 15 military vehicles, before dozens of IOA surrounded a house and stormed it. The IOA ransacked the property before dragging the mother, 45 years of age, and her teenage daughter, 16, out of their home, and placed them in one of their jeeps and drove away. During the invasion into the town, the IOA also stormed and ransacked many homes, causing excessive damage, and assaulting several Palestinians. The invasion led to protests between many local youngsters, who hurled stones at the army jeeps, while the IOA fired live rounds, rubber-coated steel bullets, and gas bombs. (IMEMC (IMEMC 22 May 2020)
- The Israeli Occupation Army (IOA) fired, dozens of concussion grenades into Palestinian orchards, west of Jenin, in northern West Bank, resulting in burning at least 120 olive trees. The IOA are stationed at the military gate of the Separation Wall, which was built on Palestinian lands owned by the villagers. The concussion grenades caused a fire that consumed more than 120 olive trees, and that Palestinian firefighters, from Ya'bad nearby town, rushed to the area to extinguish the fire and to prevent it from spreading to surrounding farmlands and homes. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)

Israeli Settler Violence

- Several Israeli settlers burnt, large areas of Palestinian agricultural lands, south of Nablus, in the northern part of the occupied West Bank. The settlers invaded farmlands owned by residents of 'Orif and Asira al-Qibliya towns, south of Nablus. The settlers then set the invaded lands ablaze, in the al-Lahaf ash-Shamali area, between the two towns. The attack by Israeli settlers was concurrent with an Israeli army attack, as the army's bulldozers began razing some farm lands adjacent to the Yitzhar settlement. The razing comes under the pretext of extinguishing the fires, however it is likely a prelude to constructing a settlers-only bypass road that would take over more Palestinian-owned farm lands. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)
- Many Israeli settlers colonists hurled stones at Palestinian cars south of Huwwara town, south of Nablus, at the junction that leads to the Qalqilia governorate, in northern West Bank. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)
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- Several armed Israeli settlers set fire to Palestinian farm lands, east of the northern West Bank city of Tulkarem near the Enav settlement, which was built on the lands of Ramin village. The armed settlers set fire to tens of fruitful trees, with the Israeli occupation army soldiers present and providing protection to the assailants. The arson led to the burning of tens of olive trees and almond trees in Palestinian farm lands, estimated at 12 acres. The flames, caused by the settlers, damaged approximately 10 acres of farm lands. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)

- A group settlers set fire to Palestinian fields and farmlands in Ramin town in the West Bank Governorate of Tulkarem. A group of Jewish settlers from Einav Settlement deliberately burned vast areas of Palestinian farmland. The settlers were escorted by armed Israeli Army during the attack. Dozens of olive and almond trees in his 50-dunum land were completely destroyed. An area of over 400 dunums was damaged in the attack. (PALINFO 22 May 2020)

Home Demolition & Demolition threats

- Israeli occupation authorities (IOA) handed home demolition orders to 21 Palestinian families living in Wadi al-Siq Bedouin community east of the West Bank city of Ramallah. The families were given a time limit until 10 June to appear at the so-called Civil Administration's headquarters for further procedures. The IOA also ordered the families to evacuate their homes and move to areas classified as "A" or "B", claiming that their homes were built in Israeli-controlled area based on the Oslo Accords. (PALINFO 22 May 2020)

Israeli Military Orders

- The Israeli government and its so-called "Civil Administration Office," the executive branch of the Israeli occupation of the West Bank, has approved plans for the confiscation of 110 Dunams of Palestinian lands in Ezbet at-Tabib village, east of the northern West Bank city of Qalqilia. The lands will be annexed to build factories that will be part of Alfie Menashe settlement. The plans have already been approved by the Israeli government, and will eventually lead to the annexation and isolation of more than 3000 Dunams of private lands that will be considered part of the settlement. The lands are nearly 2 kilometers away from the settlement, and by building the factories on them, Israel will be annexing more lands to link them with the colony, which includes roads and infrastructure on 3000 Dunams. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)

Other

- The Palestinian Water Authority (PWA) stated, that Israeli authorities drastically cut the amount of water allocated to the West Bank districts of Jenin, Nablus, Ramallah and Hebron, in recent days. The sudden drop interrupted the water supply to the public, and caused irregular water pressure, adding that the PWA had difficulty managing and distributing the decreased amount of water in a fair and efficient manner. (IMEMC 22 May 2020)

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