

Israeli Violations' Activities in the occupied State of Palestine 17 March 2022

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 against Palestinian civilians violence 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.



This DAILY REPORT is prepared as part of the project entitled <u>ASSESSING THE IMPEDIMENTS BEFORE THE</u> <u>TWO-STATE SOLUTION</u>, which is financially supported by the EU. However, the content of this presentation is the sole responsibility of ARIJ & LRC and does not necessarily reflect those of the donors.

Violations of the Israeli Occupation Army

- Israeli soldiers injured several Palestinians in Husan village, west of Bethlehem city, in the southern occupied West Bank. The soldiers invaded the al-Mteina area at the eastern entrance of Husan, leading to protests. The soldiers fired many gas bombs, concussion grenades, and rubber-coated steel bullets at the protesters. Many Palestinians were injured, mainly due to tear gas inhalation, and a few suffered cuts and bruises. (IMEMC 17 March 2022)
- Israeli navy ships fired, several live rounds at Palestinian fishing boats near the shore of Gaza city, in the besieged coastal region. The navy chased the fishing boats and fired many live rounds at them while they were sailing less than three nautical miles from the Sudaniyya shore, northwest of Gaza city. The attack did not lead to casualties but forced the fishermen to leave, fearing further violations. (IMEMC 17 March 2022)
- Israeli warplanes sprayed toxins, on Palestinian lands near the perimeter fence across the eastern parts of the Gaza Strip. The Israeli planes sprayed the lands near the Zeitoun neighborhood and Juhr Ed-Deek, southeast of Gaza city and east of Deir al-Balah, in central Gaza and the east of Khan Younis, in the southern part. The lands are planted with barley, wheat, corn, Okra, Mulukhiyah, and several other plants, causing severe damage and poisoning the lands. (IMEMC 17 March 2022)
- Violent clashes broke out in Silwan town, in Occupied Jerusalem, after being stormed by the Israeli police forces. apole, mounted with surveillance cameras used by the Israeli police to monitor local citizens in the Bir Ayoub neighborhood, was burned during the clashes. The Israeli occupation authorities used to install surveillance cameras throughout Jerusalem streets, with the aim of restricting and monitoring Palestinians' movement and daily life. Similar clashes were reported at Qalandia checkpoint to the north of Occupied Jerusalem. During the confrontations, local youths set rubber tires on fire. (PALINFO 17 March 2022)
- The Israeli occupation forces (IOF) closed the Old City of al-Khalil and attacked Palestinian citizens with stun grenades. The IOF stormed the

municipality plaza, sealed off the Old City and forced storekeepers to close their businesses. The IOF fired stun grenades to force all the citizens to leave the area quickly. The Israeli army try, through such practices, to limit the presence of Palestinian citizens in the Old City and force storeowners, in particular, to move from the area to make way for Jewish settlers. (PALINFO 17 March 2022)

 Violent clashes broke out with the Israeli Occupation Forces (IOA) in Budrus village (northwest of Ramallah) and al-Bireh City. The IOF stormed Budrus village and Jabel at-Tawil neighborhood in Bireh City and clashed with local youths. The IOF fired live ammunition and stun and tear gas grenades at the young men. No one was reportedly hurt during the events. (PALINFO 17 March 2022)

Israeli Settler Violence

• A large number of Jewish settlers escorted by police forces desecrated the Aqsa Mosque in Occupied Jerusalem in the morning and later in the afternoon. Dozens of settlers entered the Mosque in different groups through its Maghariba Gate and toured its courtyards. During their tours at the Islamic holy site, the settlers received lectures from rabbis about the alleged temple mount and a number of them provocatively performed Talmudic prayers. Meanwhile, the Israeli occupation police imposed movement restrictions on Muslim worshipers in the Aqsa Mosque's courtyards and at its entrances and gates. (PALINFO 17 March 2022)

Expansion of Israeli settlements

• The Israeli occupation authority (IOA) started bulldozing a vast tract of land in the east Jerusalem town of Beit Safafa to build a new settler neighborhood composed of 2,500 housing units in the illegal settlement of Givat Hamatos. The bulldozing operation unearthed an archeological site in the area, adding that the IOA had seized this land under the absentee property law. This new settler neighborhood would join other settlements that already encircle Beit Safafa as a prelude to building more roads and outposts for settlers in the area and inside Palestinian neighborhoods in Jerusalem, pointing out that the IOA already penetrated the town with a number of settler roads. The settler housing project is part of five plans that

were approved at the beginning of the current year to build 3,557 settler homes in the holy city. (PALINFO 17 March 2022)