

Gaza municipality announces complete collapse of all services

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Gaza City, December 26 (RHC)-- Gaza Municipality has announced the complete collapse of all its services after seventy-eight days of the Israeli regime's relentless air and ground bombardment of the besieged territory. The municipality office wrote on X on Saturday that "after 78 days of working under fire and due to the continued aggression and complete fuel outage, we regrettably announce the collapse of the municipal services system."

The territory's main municipality building, located in Gaza City, has been destroyed by Israeli shelling in recent weeks. The airstrikes destroyed national and city documents and archives, dating back over 100 years.

Gaza's local government said last month that the regime was deliberately targeting archives to "plunge the city into chaos and destroy everything that symbolizes the city's history and civilization."

Israel has used one of its biggest and most destructive bombs in an area designated safe for civilians in southern Gaza, a report says. Late last month, Israeli shelling destroyed Gaza City's Central Archive Building, which contained thousands of historical documents dating back generations.

The papers housed within the archives held important national records and information documenting the history of Gaza and its people, along with plans for Gaza City's urban development.

Eleven weeks into Israel's air and ground attacks on Gaza, the regime has dropped more than 29,000 bombs on the enclave, leaving one of the most densely populated places on earth in ruins.

Numerous historic and cultural buildings such as archaeological sites, museums, cultural centers, markets, ancient churches, and mosques were also destroyed in the war, which has also had an immense human cost, with more than 20,000 Palestinians killed, 70 percent of them women and children.

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