

*UN deputy secretary-general  
warns humanity lost its moral  
compass on Gaza*

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**UN Deputy Secretary-General Amina J. Mohammed speaks at the United Nations (Devra Berkowitz/U.N. Photo)**

United Nations, April 11 (RHC)-- The United Nations deputy secretary-general has expressed deep concerns over the humanitarian situation in the Gaza Strip.

Amina Mohammed said in a UN press conference that the international community has lost its “moral compass” on Gaza. “For me, of great concern is that we have lost our moral compass on Gaza, as a humanity, as the international community,” she said. “We need to do something about that fast – we're

late,” Amina told the news conference.

She warned that thousands of children continue to be killed and maimed in the Israeli genocidal war against the Gaza Strip. The top UN official called for immediate action on the humanitarian situation in the besieged territory.

Earlier the UN chief Antonio Guterres urged for a humanitarian ceasefire in the besieged Gaza Strip.

A report by the UN stated that more children have been killed in the Israeli war on Gaza than in four years of conflicts worldwide. “This war is a war on children. It is a war on their childhood and their future,” UNRWA Commissioner-General Philippe Lazzarini said last month.

The UN agency for Palestinian refugees (UNRWA) said that more children have been killed there in recent months than in four years of conflict worldwide. “This war is a war on children. It is a war on their childhood and their future,” said UNRWA Commissioner-General Philippe Lazzarini, who described as “staggering” the latest Gaza health authority data indicating that at least 12,300 youngsters have died in the enclave in the last four months, compared with 12,193 globally between 2019 and 2022.

The Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) published a report in March, warning that famine is imminent in northern Gaza where 70% of the population is facing catastrophic levels of hunger.

The UN World Food Program (WFP) says children are starving to death in Gaza amid the Israeli regime’s devastating war on the besieged territory. The entire population of 2.2 million people in Gaza does not have enough food to eat, with half of the population on the brink of starvation and famine projected to arrive in the north “anytime between mid-March and May 2024,” said the IPC.

UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres said later that this is the “highest number of people facing catastrophic hunger ever recorded... anywhere, anytime,” by the IPC.

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