

Israel violates Lebanon truce, mounts deadly attacks on Gaza



Photo taken a day after a ceasefire between Israel and the Hezbollah resistance movement shows a woman walk past a destroyed mosque as displaced Lebanese return to the southern city of Nabatieh on November 28, 2024. (Photo by AFP)

Beirut, November 29 (RHC)-- The Israeli military has conducted fresh attacks on Lebanon in violation of a ceasefire agreement with the Hezbollah resistance movement and ramped up its deadly airstrikes on the Gaza Strip.

In a statement posted Thursday on X, the Lebanese army said Israeli occupation forces several times violated the truce deal just after it went into effect, and the following day. "These breaches included aerial violations and attacks on Lebanese territory using various weapons," it added.

The Israeli military confirmed its Thursday aerial assault on southern Lebanon, adding that its forces had also opened fire towards the people who were driving to their homes in the area.

Earlier, Lebanese media reported that at least two people were wounded after Israeli tank fire hit five towns and some agricultural fields in the country's south.

"The Israeli enemy is attacking those returning to the border villages," Hezbollah lawmaker Hassan Fadlallah said. "There are violations today by Israel, even in this form."

Israel was forced to accept a ceasefire with Hezbollah after suffering heavy losses following more than 14 months of fighting and failing to achieve its goals in its aggression on Lebanon.

The truce agreement, brokered by the United States and France, came into effect before dawn on Wednesday. It will last for 60 days in the hope of reaching a permanent cessation of hostilities.

At least 3,961 people were killed and 16,520 others injured in Israeli attacks on Lebanon.

Hezbollah opened a support front for Palestinians in Gaza only a day after Israel unleashed its war against the besieged territory in October 2023, launching numerous retaliatory attacks against Israeli targets in the occupied territories.

In a statement that followed the ceasefire, Hezbollah vowed to continue resisting Israel and monitoring the occupation army's withdrawal from south Lebanon "with [our] hands on the trigger" in defense of Lebanon's sovereignty.

Hezbollah further empathized that its fighters "remain fully equipped to deal with the aspirations and assaults of the Israeli enemy." It also reaffirmed its commitment to the Palestinian cause, noting that it will continue the path of resistance with even greater determination.

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