

Israeli military and settlers kill 9 Palestinians, injure dozens across West Bank



Israeli settlers armed with batons near the fields of Palestinian farmers in the village of Burqa, east of Ramallah, in the occupied West Bank on October 20, 2024 [Jaafar Ashtiyeh/AFP]

United Nations, November 30 (RHC)-- Nine Palestinians, including one child, have been killed by the Israeli military in the occupied West Bank over the last week, seven of them during a 48-hour period in Jenin, the United Nations reports.

Another 37 Palestinians were injured, including 12 children, after Israeli forces carried out a series of raid operations, according to the latest report from the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) on the situation in the West Bank.

OCHA said severe human rights violations against Palestinians are increasing in frequency. While settler attacks on Palestinians – that resulted in casualties or property damage – “at least tripled during the 2024 olive harvest season compared to each of the preceding three years.”

OCHA reported 15 settler attacks against Palestinians that resulted in casualties, property damage or both. The report also detailed the demolition, or forced demolition, of 28 Palestinian-owned structures across the West Bank and occupied East Jerusalem, resulting in the displacement of 27 people, including 15 children, during the latest monitoring period.

All the structures demolished were targeted due to a lack of Israeli-issued building permits, which the agency says “are nearly impossible for Palestinians to obtain.”

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