Northern Gaza hospital under Israel's heavy artillery fire



A victim is treated inside the Kamal Adwan hospital in Beit Lahiya in the northern Gaza Strip, on December 6, 2024. (AFP)

Beit Lahiya, December 8 (RHC)-- The director of Kamal Adwan Hospital, one of the last working hospitals in northern Gaza, says Israel's military continues to attack the hospital building with mortar shells and

bombs, as doctors are treating injured people.

Doctor Hussam Abu Safia said in a statement on Sunday that the regime's military forces targeted the medical facility with more than 100 shells and bombs, causing extensive damage. "One of the hospital buildings is without electricity, oxygen or water amidst the ongoing shelling in the surrounding area, preventing us from making repairs to the oxygen, electricity and water networks."

Safia said there are "patients in the intensive care unit and others waiting to undergo operations." The operating rooms, however, cannot be reached until electricity and oxygen are secured.

Kamal Adwan Hospital in the northern town of Jabalia "is currently treating 112 injured, including 6 in intensive care and 14 children." There are patients in the emergency room as a result of the regime's attack on the hospital, he said.

Safia once again urged the international community to stop Israel from causing "a humanitarian disaster... against health workers and patients," in the Gaza Strip.

On Friday, Israel's military forces killed more than 30 people, including women around the hospital. Safia described the situation inside and around the hospital as "catastrophic" at the time.

In separate attacks on the central part of the Gaza Strip, Israeli forces killed at least 16 people on Sunday. In an attack on a camp for displaced people in Deir el-Balah, the regime's forces killed five members of a family, including five children. Many people were also wounded in the attack.

Then, later in the day, Israel's military forces attacked a residential house in al-Bureij camp, killing at least 11 people

Gaza's Health Ministry said Sunday the death toll has surpassed 44,700, in nearly 14 months of Israel's genocidal war on the besieged Palestinian territory.

Health officials say thousands of unidentified bodies are still buried under the rubble across the territory; they are not yet included in death tolls.

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