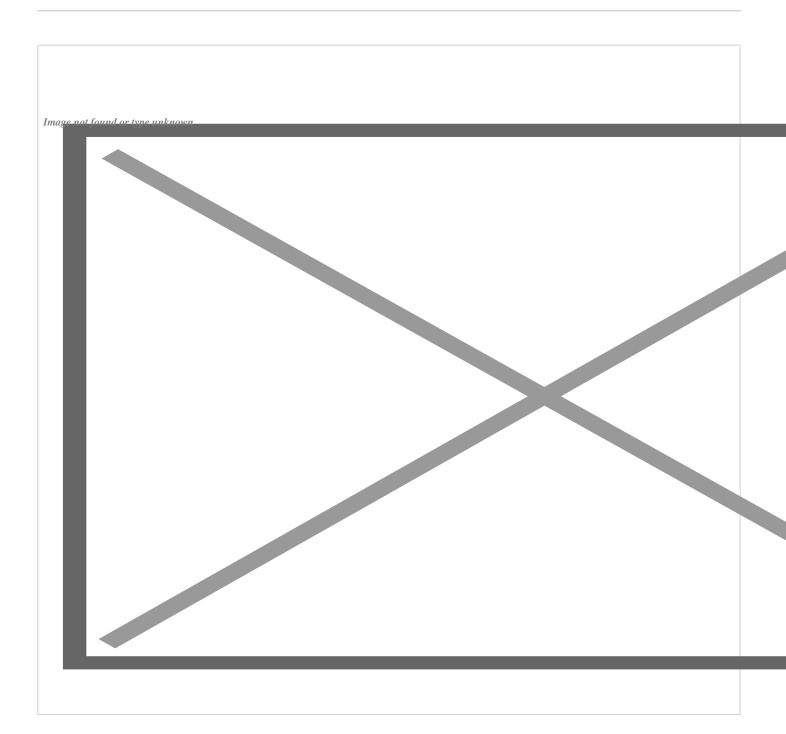
Genocidal Israeli war machine continues to grind away, killing at least 46 Palestinians



Gaza City, December 16 (RHC)-- At least 46 Palestinians were killed across Gaza in the last 24 hours, the besieged territory's Ministry of Health said, adding that five "massacres" were committed by Israeli forces during the same period.

Of total death toll, at least 14 were reported in the southern Gaza City, including in the Sheikh Radwan neighborhood, where an Israeli raid hit a residential building in the Abu Iskandar area.

Our colleagues from Al Jazeera Arabic also reported that four of those deaths were from an Israeli raid on a house in al-Nafaq Street in the centre of Gaza City.

Three other people were killed in a separate strike on a house in Zeitoun neighbourhood south of Gaza City.

The Palestinian news agency WAFA confirmed that an Israeli air raid hit a tent sheltering displaced people in Beit Hanoon, killing several civilians and wounding many others.

Two others were reported killed following a separate Israeli attack on the area surrounding Kamal Adwan Hospital in northern Gaza, WAFA added. Four Palestinians were also killed in Shujayea, Khan Younis.

At least 135 other people were reported injured in the Israeli attacks on Sunday.

The deadly Israeli raids and bombings come just a day after Israeli forces killed several people after hitting a school in Gaza City, and just two days after a massacre in Nuseirat refugee camp.

Meanwhile, Al Jazeera's Mahmoud confirmed on Sunday that Palestinian journalist Mohammed Jabr al-Qrinawi was killed along with his wife and children in an Israeli air attack that targeted their home in Bureij refugee camp, in central Gaza, late on Saturday.

The Egypt-based Al-Ahram reported that al-Qrinawi was affiliated with Sanad News Agency, a distinct entity from Al Jazeera's Sanad Verification Unit. Al-Qrinawi was the second journalist killed on Saturday. Earlier on Saturday, Al Mashhad Media said its journalist Mohammed Balousha was killed in an Israeli attack in Gaza.

George Eid, director of news at Al Mashhad, confirmed Balousha's killing, saying it was a targeted attack. Balousha was the Palestinian journalist who broke the story on the decomposing bodies of premature babies in the ICU, who were left to die by Israeli forces at al-Nasr Hospital last year.

The separate killings of al-Qrinawi and Balousha raise the death toll of Palestinian journalists to 196. The Committee to Protect Journalists has compiled records of at least 137 Palestinian journalists killed.

On Tuesday, two separate reports from media freedom organisations said Israel carried out a massacre of journalists in Gaza.

According to Gaza's Health Ministry, at least 44,976 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli forces since October 7, 2023.



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