

SITUATION REPORT occupied Palestinian territory, Gaza 12 - 26 June 2018









10 TRAUMA STABILISATION POINTS



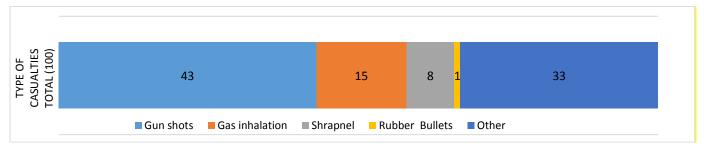


# Highlights

- As of the 26<sup>th</sup> June 16:00, the latest figures provided by the Ministry of Health (MoH) indicate that 5 Palestinians were killed (including a 13-year old child) and 220 were injured by Israeli forces from 12<sup>th</sup> to the 26<sup>th</sup> June, as a result of the mass demonstrations.
- Out of the 220 injuries, 100 required transfer to the MoH hospitals or to NGO clinics (17 children, 8 females and 92 males). From the hospitalized injuries, 8 cases were critically life-threatening, 38 moderate, 50 mild, and the remaining 4 were unspecified cases<sup>1</sup>.



 An additional 120 injuries were managed and discharged at the 10 trauma stabilization points (TSP) and primary healthcare centers. These TSPs and primary healthcare facilities offering frontline care are led by the MoH, and supported by the Palestinian Red Crescent Society (PRCS), and receive support of the Union Health Workers Committee (UHWC) NGO.



### Type of casualties treated at the Ministry of Health and NGO hospitals<sup>2</sup>

### Casualties disaggregated by injury, gender and age at MoH and NGO hospitals (cases: 100)<sup>3</sup>

Total	By gender		By affected body part							By age	
	Male	Female	Head and neck	Upper limbs	Lower limbs	Chest and back	Abdomen and pelvis	Multi- injuries	Other	Children	Adults
100	92	8	13	17	46	3	5	1	15	17	83

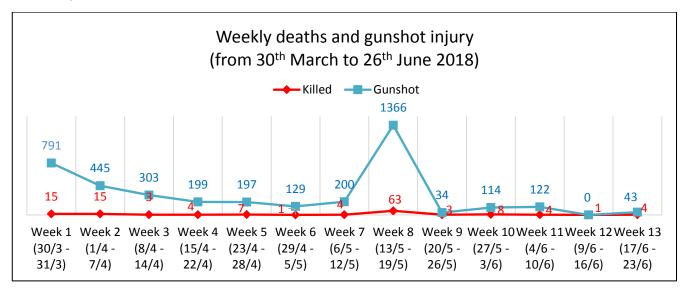
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: Ministry of Health

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## Accumulative caseload

- Since the start of the demonstrations until the 26<sup>th</sup> June 16:00, 137 people have been killed<sup>4</sup>. The figure of people injured amidst ongoing demonstrations stands at 14,821. Out of a total of 14,821 injuries, 7,985 people (54%) required hospitalization.
- **Hospitalization:** Out of the total 7,985 people that required hospitalization:
  - 49% were live ammunition gunshot injuries, at a total of 3,943 cases. See below graph for deaths and gunshot injuries each week.
  - o 1,270 were children (16%), 515 (7%) were female and 7,470 (93%) were male.
  - 367 (5%) cases were critical, 3,740 (47%) were moderate, 3,741 (47%) were mild and 137 cases were unspecified.



- **Trauma Stabilisation Points (TSPs):** A further 6,836 were treated and discharged in the field trauma stabilization points (TSPs) and at primary healthcare clinics.
- Incidence of limb injuries:
  - A total of 5,034 limb injuries have been hospitalized. This represents the highest type of injury at 34% of the total injured caseload.
  - 347 cases of injured people have been identified as in need of limb reconstruction, and will require up to 7 surgeries and extensive rehabilitation and treatment for up to 2 years<sup>5</sup>.
- Amputations: Since the 30<sup>th</sup> March until the 26<sup>th</sup> June, the total number of amputations was 57, including 11 children. Out of this total, 50 were lower limb amputations and 7 were upper limb amputations<sup>6</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 132 have been reported by the MoH and an additional 5 have been held by the Israeli Authorities reported by OCHA

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> According to Medical Aid for Palestinians (MAP-UK)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> According to Al Salama Society

## **Impact on the Health Sector**

- Patients are being discharged early every week to make room for the new wave of expected casualties.
   Approximately 520 patients have been discharged early since the 30<sup>th</sup> March. These patients are being requested to receive follow-up care at the MSF clinic, PMRS, UHWC and primary healthcare centers.
- Since the 30<sup>th</sup> March, according to the MoH approximately **7,000 elective surgeries** have been postponed.
- According to Gaza's Central Drug Store, in May, 253 essential medicines out of the total 815 essential medicines list (49%) were at less than one month's supply. In addition, 243 essential disposables out of the total 853 essential disposables list (29%) were at less than one month's supply.

## **Health attacks**

- According to the MoH, PMRS and PRCS as of 26<sup>th</sup> June:
  - 3 health workers were injured (2 with gas canister, 1 with gas inhalation)
  - 1 MOH ambulance was damaged.
- Cumulative figures: From 30<sup>th</sup> March to 26<sup>th</sup> June, 331 health workers and 46 ambulances were affected by attacks on health care<sup>7</sup>. Of the health workers affected, 25 suffered injuries from live ammunition, of whom two were killed, 22 were hit directly with tear gas canisters and 11 were hit by shrapnel. These total numbers



include additional data provided for the Palestinian Civil Defense medical teams and Palestinian military medical services.

## **Access through Erez**

- As of 26<sup>th</sup> June, 129 patients injured in the demonstrations have applied to exit Gaza through Erez Crossing for health care. The status of their permits are as follows:
  - A total of 29 applications were approved (acceptance rate of 22%, which is significantly lower than the overall rate of 60% for the first quarter of 2018)
  - 61 were denied (denial rate of 47%, which is significantly higher than the overall denial rate of 8% for the first quarter of 2018)
  - o 39 patient applications are still pending

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> According to data provided by the Palestinian Ministry of Health (MoH), Palestinian Red Crescent Society (PRCS), Palestinian Medical Relief Society (PMRS) and the Union of Health Work Committees

# **Emergency Response**

#### **Providing medical supplies:**

- WHO delivered 100,000 vials of the antibiotic Ceftriaxone 1 gm powder, as part of the emergency allocation, funded by the EU. The delivered antibiotic drug is expected to benefit at least 15,000 patients.
- UNICEF delivered 187 pallets containing 3 drug items to the MoH expected to benefit at least 15,000 patients for 2-6 months. UNICEF also delivered 5370 bottles of Vitamin A&D to its partner, Ard El Insan.
- Medical Aid for Palestinians (MAP-UK) delivered 41 external fixators and another 22 sets of orthopedic



equipment (Taylor Spatial Frame external fixator), MAP- UK also delivered 6 drug items and 5 disposables to the MoH and prepositioned the same amount of disposables.

### Trauma Management & Emergency Medical Teams (EMTs):

- MAP-UK deployed a limb reconstruction mission consisting of 7 orthopedic and plastic surgeons, the mission arrived on 26th June and will stay until 28th June. The mission is aiming to assess 200 injured demonstrationspecific patients; some complex hand surgeries will be conducted.
- The Palestinian Medical Relief Society (PMRS) provided first aid to 104 individuals, including 9 live bullet injuries. Since the start of demonstrations, PMRS has provided first aid to a total of 2,652 patients. PMRS has also mobilized five outreach teams in all five governorates, to conduct post-operative care, including wound dressing and physiotherapy services. PMRS provided post-operative care to 49 new cases. To date, PMRS has provided postoperative care to 496 casualties, out of those, 112 have received assistive devices. PMRS is running one mobile clinic starting from June until August. The mobile clinic visited 5 locations and served 300 patients.
- The Union of Health Work Committees (UHWC) received one injured case at Al-Awda Hospital, where this case
  was transferred immediately to the operation room for urgent surgical intervention.
- Humanity and Inclusion (HI) in a partnership with local organizations has deployed 10 multidisciplinary teams comprising social worker, physiotherapist, occupational therapist, psychologists and nurse, in all the five governorates of Gaza. So far, HI provided nursing and rehabilitation services to 517 beneficiaries who have received 1,165 multidisciplinary sessions. HI has also distributed assistive devices to 50 out of 107 beneficiaries identified. HI has also coordinated with MSF who have conducted capacity building for HI's outreach teams on wound management and emergency rehabilitation.
- Doctors Worldwide Turkey (DWWT), through their outreach program, has provided 300 cases with 369 postoperative rehabilitation sessions, including nursing, physiotherapy and psychological support, as well as, drugs and assistive devices.

- MSF-France admitted an additional 80 trauma patients in their five post-operative clinics, 69 of them will need further surgical interventions. Furthermore, MSF-France teams operated on 36 patients in Al-Shifa, Al-Aqsa and Patients Friends Benevolent Society Hospitals (PFBH). On Friday, the surgical teams continued to support to Al Aqsa Hospital with extra vascular and orthopedic surgical capacity, anesthetist doctor and OT nurses.
- MSF Belgium has a surgical team in Al Awda Hospital for follow up surgeries of trauma patients and emergency response.



- UNRWA provided 265 post-operative consultations
   offering treatment and wound dressing, all cases were gunshot injuries including 35 severe cases. Since the 30<sup>th</sup> March, UNRWA has provided a total of 2,828 postoperative consultations at their 22 primary healthcare clinics.
- Health Matters/International Medical Corps (IMC) partners provided immediate care to a total of 92 injured cases at the TSPs; out of the 92 cases, 67 (15 children) received wound care and 25 were transferred to hospitals. HM/IMC partner hospital provided post-operative wound care for 33 patients. In addition, HM/IMC is responding to post-operative wound care needs by running Mobile Medical Services and conducted a total of 137 consultations.
- Central Blood Bank Society (CBBS) collected 203 blood units through their campaigns, and distributed 289 blood units to the patients in need.

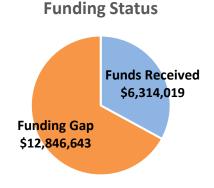
### **Coordination and Information:**

- As the cluster lead agency, WHO met with multiple partners to consult and coordinate the Health Cluster emergency response.
- On the 12<sup>th</sup> June, Health Cluster partners in Gaza met to review the needs and priorities.

INFORMATION TOOLS AVAILABLE ON HEALTH CLUSTER WEBSITE HTTP://HEALTHCLUSTEROPT.ORG								
WHO & Health Cluster Situation Reports Health Cluster HeRAMS dashboard	http://healthclusteropt.org/pages/3/situation-reports Hospitals: http://healthclusteropt.org/pages/9/herams-							
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EMTs calendar	http://healthclusteropt.org/pages/12/emt-calender							
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## **Funding needs**

- From the 30<sup>th</sup> March until the 30<sup>th</sup> September the Health Cluster requires \$ 19,160,662; from this total, to date \$ 6,314,019 has been mobilized, leaving a gap of \$ 12,846,643. The funding required is necessary to support the following activities:
  - Continued deployment and coordination of quality-assured emergency medical teams (EMTs)
  - Strengthening the pre-hospital care by enhancing the trauma stabilisation points
  - Enhancing post-operative and multi-disciplinary rehabilitative care



- o Provision of essential medical supplies for the treatment of injured patients
- Enhancing coordination, technical guidance and information sharing of trauma management standards across the trauma pathway
- o Provision of essential medical supplies for the treatment of non-trauma emergency patients
- o Strengthening the reporting and monitoring of attacks on healthcare
- From the total Health Cluster funding needs, WHO requires \$ 2,500,000 in order to respond to the emergency up until September 2018.
- A second reserve allocation of \$3.75 million was released to the Health Cluster by the Humanitarian Coordinator. The Health Cluster technical review committee have reviewed the projects and the process of releasing the funds is underway. Further information will be provided in the upcoming Situational Reports.

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