HUMAN RIGHTS DEVELOPMENTS IN A WEEK

26 October - 1 November 2026



Human Rights are inherent to all human beings, regardless of the nationality, place of residence, sex, national or ethnic origin, color, religion, language or any other status without discrimination. These rights are all universal, inalienable, interrelated, interdependent and indivisible.

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Monday 26 October 2026

Artillery Shelling Targets Mansouri and Wadi Zibqin

Israeli artillery fired heavy 155 mm shells at Mansouri and Wadi Zibqin on Monday, October 26. An airstrike later targeted the outskirts of Qantara and Wadi al-Salouqi, and two successive explosions were carried out in the Al-Ruwais neighbourhood of Zawtar al-Sharqiya.

An Israeli drone also dropped two bombs on a house between Choukin and Mayfadoun. No casualties were reported.

Tuesday 27 October 2026

Ogero Workers Begin Open-Ended Strike

Ogero employees began an open-ended strike on Tuesday, October 27, after the union said that amendments to certain provisions of Law No. 431 had not been addressed. The union said amending the law was essential to safeguarding employees' rights and acquired benefits, particularly compensation under Law No. 161.

The union instructed employees not to report to their workplaces or register attendance, including through fingerprint systems. Emergency technical cases were to be referred to the union's crisis cell for assessment and handling on a case-by-case basis, while the union said it would keep channels of negotiation and dialogue open with all concerned parties.

Educational Guidance Teachers Protest Removal from Evening-Shift Duties

Educational counsellors working in the afternoon shift held a sit-in outside UNICEF's offices in Beirut on Tuesday, October 27. The committee said around 400 Lebanese educational guidance teachers had been removed from their evening-shift duties without prior notice under the Education Minister's memorandum No. 198/M/2026, after 12 years of providing students with educational, psychological and behavioural support.

Following the sit-in, the committee met with UNICEF officials. The committee said UNICEF denied responsibility for the decision, attributed it to the Ministry of Education, and undertook to follow up with the Ministry.

Shelling, Demolitions and Drone Strike Reported Across the South

An Israeli drone struck Jarmaq on Tuesday, October 27. Earlier, Israeli forces set fire to several houses in Houla following two demolition operations. A separate explosion was reported in Mufeileha, west of Mays al-Jabal.

Four artillery shells were fired toward the Shebaa Valley. Israeli forces also carried out two explosions in Khiam, including one near the cemetery, and fired machine guns toward the town. Heavy shelling targeted Mansouri and Majdal Zoun.

Wednesday
28 October 2026

Artillery and Drone Activity Reported in Southern Lebanon and Beirut

Israeli artillery targeted the outskirts of Kunin and Baraachit on Wednesday, October 28. An Israeli drone was also reported over Beirut and its southern suburbs.

Intermittent shelling was reported between Mayfadoun and Zawtar al-Sharqiya, while a drone dropped a sound bomb near Baraachit. A suspected remnant of war exploded in Qallawiyah without causing injuries.

Thursday
29 October 2026

Public Secondary Teachers Hold Nationwide Strike

The League of Public Secondary School Teachers began a strike on Thursday, October 29, covering public secondary schools, teacher-training colleges, the Center for Educational Research and Development, guidance and counselling centres and teachers assigned to the Ministry of Education. The strike continued on Friday, or on Saturday in schools that teach on Saturdays.

The Contract Teachers' Movement said the action also protested overcrowded classes, increased workloads for supervisors, the failure to raise contract teachers' hourly pay and delays preventing teachers hired on an assistance basis from starting work.

Commission Identifies Accountability Gaps in Government Response on ICC Jurisdiction

The National Human Rights Commission published an advisory opinion on Thursday, October 29, 2026, examining the Lebanese government's September 18, 2026 response to a parliamentary question on Lebanon's decision not to accede to the Rome Statute and the government's reversal of its earlier decision to instruct the Foreign Ministry to submit a declaration accepting the International Criminal Court's jurisdiction over crimes committed on Lebanese territory since October 7, 2023.

The Commission said the government response failed to identify an effective, operational alternative for accountability or adequately explain how the decision would affect victims' rights and access to justice. It also cited gaps concerning domestic investigations, evidence preservation, cooperation with UN and foreign judicial mechanisms, and access to information, justice, legal assistance, protection and reparation.

The opinion did not characterize non-accession itself as an international violation. It recommended a supplementary government response and an accountability plan setting out responsibilities, resources, timelines and a mechanism for reporting progress to Parliament and the public.

Artillery Shelling Continues Between Mayfadoun and Zawtar al-Sharqiya

Israeli artillery intermittently shelled the area between Mayfadoun and Zawtar al-Sharqiya on Thursday, October 29.

Friday 30 October 2026

Shelling, House Demolition and Fires Reported Across Southern Lebanon

Israeli forces carried out an explosion in Al-Tairi on Friday, October 30, and fired 155 mm shells at Wadi al-Hujeir toward Tulin. Shelling also targeted Kfar Shouba, Hadatha, Wadi Zibqin and the area between Zawtar al-Sharqiya and Mayfadoun. A house was blown up on the road linking Kfar Shouba, Tallet Sadana and Shebaa.

Israeli forces opened machine-gun fire toward Khiam and Qantara. Fires broke out in homes in Qantara after Israeli forces set them alight during a sweep of the area.

Saturday & Sunday 31 October and 1 November 2026

Commission Seeks Investigation After Journalist Receives Spyware Warning

The National Human Rights Commission published a briefing on Sunday, November 1, after journalist Radwan Mortada said he had received an Apple notification dated October 29 warning of another mercenary-spyware attack against his device. The Commission said the warning warranted urgent attention but did not by itself establish that spyware had been successfully installed.

The Commission said it had not conducted a forensic examination and that no publicly verified findings identified the spyware, operator or commissioning authority. It called for measures to protect Mortada and his confidential sources, preserve digital evidence and assess the information for an independent and impartial investigation where the legal grounds exist.

Airstrikes, Shelling and Demolitions Continue Over the Weekend

Israeli warplanes struck the outskirts of Aita al-Jabal on Sunday, November 1, and carried out mock raids over Tyre. Israeli forces also demolished homes in Zawtar al-Sharqiya, while a demolition operation was reported in Qantara and artillery targeted the outskirts of Aita al-Jabal.

On Saturday, October 31, Israeli warplanes struck Mansouri and conducted mock raids over Tyre. An Israeli force searched homes and agricultural buildings near Ebel el-Saqi after instructing occupants not to leave. Two drones exploded inside homes in Mayfadoun without reported injuries.

Airstrikes and artillery targeted several areas including Hadatha, Mayfadoun, Nabatieh al-Fawqa, Kounine, Srebbine, Beit Lif, Haris, Talousa, Qantara and Wadi al-Hujeir. A four-storey residential building in Baraachit was also hit.

REPORTING A VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS TO CLDH

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You can also report an incident anonymously through our **website**.
When making a report, please ensure to include the followinginformation:



WHERE:
City/village, governorate, additional details (e.g. which prison)



WHAT:
Nature of the violation



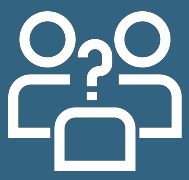
HOW:
A narrative description of what happened



WHEN:
Date of the episode (at least the year, if day and month are unknown)



TO WHOM:
Information regarding the victim (name, nationality, gender, date of birth, city of origin, phone number). Only share this information with the consent of the person.



WHO
is the person reporting (name, phone number) and how were they identified (e.g., victim him/herself, family member, eyewitness, journalist, humanitarian worker…)

The information referred will remain completely private. It will be fact-checked and registered into CLDH's internal system. No action will be undertaken without the explicit and written consent of the reporter.