



HUMAN RIGHTS DEVELOPMENTS IN A WEEK

3 March- 9 March 2025



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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LEBANON

Monday
3 March
2025

Israeli drone flies over South Lebanon, threatening to “opening hell’s gates”

An Israeli drone flew over Bint Jbeil on Monday 3 March, 2025, stating in a broadcasted audio message that [Hezbollah](#) is trying to breach the ceasefire agreement, which can [threaten](#) the country’s security and “risking the opening of hell’s gates”. This action is one of Israel’s many breaches of the ceasefire agreement with Lebanon, 15 days after it ended on February 18.

Minister of Agriculture pursues violations of animal trafficking

Lebanese Minister of Agriculture [Nizar Hani](#) submitted an official letter to the Cassation Public Prosecution Office on Monday, March 3, 2025, after a video of wild [animals](#) and birds trafficking went viral on social media. Hani stressed on the “necessity of taking the required legal measures against the concerned individuals”, since these animals are protected under the CITES treaty which Lebanon is a signatory of.

Tuesday
4 March 2025

Families of the victims of the Beirut Port Explosion hold their monthly vigil

The "Association of the [Families](#) of the Victims of the August 4 Explosion" affirmed during its monthly gathering in front of the Emigrant Statue at the Port of Beirut that "no case, no matter how significant, can overshadow the largest non-nuclear explosion in history at the Port of Beirut."

The association stated that "on the surface, matters undoubtedly appear positive."

It pointed out that "the President of the Republic, the Prime Minister, and the Minister of Justice have explicitly expressed their commitment to the nation's cause in ensuring that the investigation proceeds to its conclusion. However, the true measure lies in the outcome.

Wednesday
5 March 2025

Drone drops sound bomb near civilian on Tall Al-Nahhas in Kfar Kila

An Israeli drone on Wednesday dropped a sound bomb targeting a civilian on the road between Tall Al-Nahhas and Kfarkela, according to a news report by the National News Agency released on March 5, 2025.

Israeli drones strike vehicle in Ras Naqoura, injuring two civilians

Israeli drones on Wednesday carried out multiple strikes on a vehicle near a landfill site south of the UNIFIL position in Ras Naqoura, injuring two brothers who were collecting scrap metal. The wounded were transported to the hospital for treatment, according to a news report released by the National News Agency on March 5, 2025.

As Lebanese Army personnel and civilians attempted to reach the targeted site, drones launched another strike to prevent access.

Thursday
6 March 2025

[Amnesty International: Israeli attacks on health facilities, ambulances and paramedics must be investigated as war crimes](#)

The Israeli military's repeated unlawful [attacks](#) during the war in Lebanon on health facilities, ambulances and health workers, which are protected under international law, must be [investigated](#) as war crimes, Amnesty International said on March 5, 2025. The Lebanese government should provide the International Criminal Court (ICC) the jurisdiction to investigate and prosecute crimes within the Rome Statute committed on Lebanese territory, and ensure victims' right to remedy, including by calling on Israel to provide reparation for serious violations of international humanitarian law. In [findings released today](#), Amnesty International presents the results of its investigations into four Israeli attacks on healthcare facilities and vehicles in Beirut and in south Lebanon between 3 and 9 October 2024, which killed 19 healthcare workers, wounded 11 more, and damaged or destroyed multiple ambulances and two medical facilities in a one-week period in October 2024.

[Armed Clash Erupts in Al-Mankoubin Area, Tripoli](#)

An armed clash broke out on March 6, 2025 in the Al-Mankoubin area of Tripoli, Lebanon, between members of the Al-Deeb family, escalating into an exchange of gunfire using military-grade weapons, according to a news report by Lebanese media outlets citing the Lebanese Army's [statement](#).

The clash resulted in the injury of a child and three others, one of whom is in critical condition, in addition to the death of young man Rashid Obeid.

Residents of Al-Mankoubin have urgently called on security and military forces to intervene and restore order following the violent confrontation. The situation has worsened, with grenades and rocket-propelled grenades being used. Residents have also demanded that armed individuals be prevented from fleeing to Fnaydeq and Beddawi refugee camp, fearing the spread of unrest to other areas. They emphasized the urgent need to impose security and bring an end to the clashes that have terrorized the community.

[Lebanese Army: Israeli Army Continues Attacks on Lebanon](#)

Statement from the Lebanese Army Command – Directorate of Orientation, issued on March 6, 2025:

The Israeli army continues its assaults on Lebanon's sovereignty, by land, sea, and air, with the latest being a series of attacks targeting civilians in the south and Bekaa, in addition to its ongoing occupation of Lebanese land and repeated violations of the land borders. The Israeli army's persistent aggression threatens Lebanon's stability and negatively impacts regional stability, completely contradicting the ceasefire agreement. Meanwhile, military units continue to support the return of residents to southern areas by addressing unexploded ordnance, removing debris, and clearing roads. The Army Command is monitoring the situation and taking the necessary actions in coordination with the Quintet Committee overseeing the ceasefire agreement and the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL).

Friday
7 March 2025

[Appeal against three coastal projects approved during last weeks of Mikati cabinet](#)

The organizations Green Southerners and Green Line, in cooperation with the [Legal Agenda](#), [filed](#) petitions for annulment with the State Council concerning three decrees adopted during the last weeks of the Najib Mikati government, which authorized the occupation of public maritime lands in three Lebanese regions: One for a road project in Zouk Behnine (Akkar), the second for the expansion of a private beachfront project (Palma) in Bahsas, Tripoli, and the third on the beach of Mansouri, in the village of Qlayleh (Sour), near a protected area for sea turtle nesting. This project's outlines remained vague, according to the municipality of Qlayleh and local activists. This latest appeal was filed on March 6.

Saturday and Sunday
8 and 9 March
2025

Settlers Enter Qabr Al-Abbad Cemetery on Outskirts of Houla

A group of settlers [entered](#) the Qabr Al-Abbad cemetery on the outskirts of [Houla](#), located in Lebanese [territory](#), under the protection of Israeli occupation forces, on March 7, 2025.

According to a report by *Al-Akhbar* correspondent, the settlers visited the site on March 7, 2025 as part of a religious visit organized by the Israeli forces to the location, which the Israelis claim is associated with Rabbi Ashi.

The Israeli Channel "i24" reported that the Israeli army is preparing to allow hundreds of Jews to pray at the grave of [Rabbi Ashi](#) on the Lebanese hill of Sheikh Al-Abbad, after the Israeli military had previously prevented religious Jews from accessing the area last February for security reasons, only to later reverse that decision.

World Bank: Lebanon's Recovery and Reconstruction Needs Estimated at US\$11 Billion

Reconstruction and recovery needs following the conflict that affected Lebanon are estimated at US\$11 billion, according to a [Lebanon Rapid Damage and Needs Assessment \(RDNA\) 2025 report](#) released by the World Bank on March 7, 2025, that assesses damage, losses, and needs in ten sectors across the entire country, covering the period from October 8, 2023 until December 20, 2024.

Of the US\$11 billion in reconstruction and recovery needs, the report estimates that US\$3 to 5 billion will need to be publicly financed, including US\$1 billion for the infrastructure sectors (energy; municipal and public services; transport; and water, wastewater and irrigation). While US\$6 to 8 billion will require private financing, mostly in the housing, commerce, industry, and tourism sectors.

Airstrike on Khirbet Selm causes death of a citizen, injury of another

The Public Health Ministry's Emergency Operations Center issued a statement announcing that an Israeli drone strike on a car in Khirbet Selm resulted in the death of a citizen and the injury of another, according to a news report released by the National News Agency on March 8, 2025.

Thousands of Syrians cross into Lebanon to flee violence

[Thousands](#) of Syrians have reportedly crossed into northern Lebanon from coastal Syria in recent days [fleeing](#) violent clashes and attacks which have seen hundreds of civilians killed, according to a news report by the Legal Agenda released on March 9, 2025.

Akkar, Lebanon's northernmost governorate bordering Syria, has seen an influx of people escaping the fighting between Damascus' new rulers led by interim President Ahmed al-Sharaa and loyalists to ousted President Bashar al-Assad.

Israeli forces open fire on mourners at Lebanese funeral procession

Israeli forces opened fire on a funeral procession in the southern Lebanese border village of Kfarkela on Sunday, injuring at least one woman, according to reports released on March 9, 2025.

Mourners in Kfarkela, much of which has been reduced to rubble, were burying 25 bodies in a mass funeral when an Israeli drone hovered above the procession, footage shared online showed.

Initial reports claimed that a Lebanese soldier attending the funeral had died from Israeli gunfire, but Lebanon's state-run [National News Agency](#) later clarified that the soldier's death was due to cardiac arrest, not gunshot wounds.

REPORTING A VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS TO CLDH

If you wish to report an incident that may potentially constitute a violation of human rights, kindly send an email to the following address: [**violations@cldh-lebanon.org**](mailto:violations@cldh-lebanon.org)

You can also report an incident anonymously through our [**website**](#).

When making a report, please ensure to include the following information:

- **WHERE:** City/village, governorate, additional details (e.g. what 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.



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