



# HUMAN RIGHTS DEVELOPMENTS IN A WEEK

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## LEBANON

**Monday**  
7 April  
2025

### **Three dead and multiple injuries in Taybeh and Khyam**

An Israeli airstrike on border village Taybeh in Marjeyoun district martyred one citizen and injured two others, simultaneously while throwing two [bombs](#) at the village's square on Monday, April 7.

In [Khyam](#), two Syrian men were martyred and one citizen was injured by an airstrike, according to the Public Health Emergency Operations Center.

### **Minister of Agriculture regulates tree cutting and forest investment decision**

The Minister of Agriculture Nizar Hani [amended](#) the decision 705/1 of 2012 which regulates tree felling and forestry exploitation on Monday, April 7. The decision states:

Article One: Article One, Paragraph "A" of the first item of Decision No. 705/1 dated August 11, 2012, is amended to suspend pruning licenses on April 1, 2025.

Article Two: Article One, Paragraph "B" of the second item of Decision No. 705/1 dated August 11, 2012, is amended to suspend charcoal manufacturing licenses on May 31, 2025.

Article Three: This decision shall take effect immediately upon publication and shall be communicated where necessary.

**Tuesday**  
8 April 2025

### **Israeli forces open fire on citizens in Mays El Jabal**

Two citizens were injured on Tuesday, April 8, after Israeli forces opened fire in border city Mays El Jabal. In [Naqoura](#), an Israeli raid threw bombs at fishermen, and targeted prefabricated rooms that were recently built by residents over the rubbles.

Another Israeli airstrike also [targeted](#) Hawsh Tal Safiyya in Baalbek-Hermel at night.

### **Riad Salameh convicted of embezzlement charges in consulting account case**

According to local media outlets, the First Investigative Judge of Beirut Bilal Halawi confirmed the [charges](#) against former Central Bank Governor Riad Salameh in the indictment issued on Tuesday, April 8. The charges are in relation to the "consulting account" [case](#) at the Central Bank, in which Salameh is accused of "embezzlement and squandering of public funds, forgery, and illicit enrichment".

Wednesday  
9 April 2025

### [Israeli airstrikes target houses in Yatar](#)

Israeli warplanes bombed and fired missiles at residential homes in the town of Yatar after threatening to evacuate the residents on Wednesday, April 9 at night. These bombings followed two warning raids on the village.

According to the [National News Agency](#), one of the raids caused fire in several homes, while helicopters and drones continue to patrol the skies over the villages of Yatar and Ramya, reaching the towns of La'bat al-Shaab and Hanin in the Bint Habil district.

### [Israeli drones conduct mock raids and target a public school](#)

A public school in the border town of Ramya was targeted by an Israeli drone on Wednesday, April 9. Israeli [mock raids](#) were conducted over the Nabatieh and Iqlim al-Tuffah regions.

### [Protest against power cuts in Mashghara](#)

Tens of protesters blocked a main road in Mashghara with burning tires in protest against the continued power cuts in the town for several weeks on Wednesday, April 9. Despite ongoing pressures, no improvement in power supply hours was conducted, according to the National News Agency.

Thursday  
10 April 2025

### [Israeli airstrike attack two excavators in Aita al-Shaab](#)

An Israeli drone targeted an excavator in Aita al-Shaab [twice](#) on Thursday, April 10. The attack happened less than two hours after another excavator was targeted in the village by two missiles, and no injuries were reported.

Israeli forces also opened fire on a car in [Wazzani](#) without any casualties, according to the National News Agency.

### [Four lawsuits filed against MTV's "Sar El Wa'et"](#)

[Daraj](#), Megaphone, Legal Agenda, and the Alternative Press Syndicate filed four different lawsuits against MTV during a press conference on Thursday, April 10. These lawsuits were launched against MTV due to the campaign it recently broadcasted through the program "Sar El Wa'et".

### [Lebanese Army free Syrian citizen from kidnapers in Baalbek](#)

#### **Statement issued by the Army Command - Directorate of Orientation on Thursday, April 10:**

On April 10, 2025, as a result of a series of security surveillance and follow-up operations, a patrol from the Intelligence Directorate was able to free the Syrian (A.A.) in the Qasr-Hermel area on the Lebanese-Syrian border, after he had been kidnapped from the town of Ain, Baalbek, for a ransom. An investigation is underway to arrest those involved.

Another patrol from the Directorate, supported by an army unit, raided the homes of wanted individuals in the town of Taraya, Baalbek, arresting three citizens for firing shots. A quantity of weapons and ammunition was seized.

The seized items were handed over, and an investigation with the detainees has begun under the supervision of the competent judiciary.

Friday  
11 April 2025

### EU, UNICEF distribute medical aid to Ministry of Health

The European Union and UNICEF delivered 40 metric tons of essential medications and medical kits to the Ministry of Public Health on Friday, April 11. The supplies include antibiotics, anti-inflammatory drugs and painkillers, which will be “distributed to a network of 300 Primary Health Care Centres and Primary Satellite Units across Lebanon”, according to UNICEF’s statement.

### Israeli forces cross borders into Wazzani

The National News agency reported that Israeli forces have crossed the borders on Friday, April 11, and entered Wazzani village in Marjeyoun district.

In the early morning hours, Israeli artillery shells also targeted Abu Laban neighborhood in border village Aita al-Shaab.

### Ministry of Agriculture responds to forest cutdown in Batroun

#### **Statement issued by the Lebanese Ministry of Agriculture on Friday, April 11:**

As part of its ongoing commitment to protecting Lebanon's forests and forest resources, and its commitment to strictly enforcing environmental and forestry laws, the Ministry of Agriculture took immediate action upon receiving a complaint regarding unidentified individuals cutting down forest trees on a property located in the Chebtine area of Batroun District.

[...] Technical teams conducted a thorough field inspection, which revealed the illegal cutting of oak trees, estimated at approximately twenty tons of firewood.

Based on this blatant violation of forest resources, a report was filed against the violators, in accordance with legal procedures, and the case was referred to the competent judiciary for further investigation and necessary action. The amount of firewood harvested at the site was also confiscated and frozen, pending a court ruling. [...]

Saturday and Sunday  
12 and 13 April  
2025

### Ministry of Health condemns attacks on Rayak Hospital

#### **Statement issued by the Ministry of Public Health on Saturday, April 12:**

Yesterday evening, Rayak Hospital was subjected to unjustified gunfire by a group of individuals, in a security breach that endangered hospital staff and patients, including their patient who was receiving treatment in the hospital's emergency room. The attack lasted for six consecutive hours.

The Ministry of Public Health reiterates its condemnation of this unacceptable attack on a medical facility that provides medical care and services to citizens. It calls on the security forces to show no leniency in holding the perpetrators accountable and taking the maximum possible measures against them. [...]

### Israel demolishes Saint George statue

During Palm Sunday celebrations, Israeli forces destroyed a statue of Saint George in Yaroun in the Bint Jbeil district on Sunday, April 13. According to the National News Agency, a video showcased an Israeli bulldozer demolishing the statue.

Simultaneously, Israeli planes were seen flying over Tyre and Bint Jbeil districts.

# 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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