

HUMAN RIGHTS DEVELOPMENTS IN A WEEK

27 May - 2 June 2024



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
27 May 2024

Israeli drone strike near Bint Jbeil Hospital results in one fatality, several injuries

An Israeli drone strike near the entrance of Salah Ghandour Hospital in the southern Lebanese town of Bint Jbeil has resulted in one [fatality](#) and several injuries, according to a news report released by the National News Agency on May 27, 2024.

Tuesday
28 May 2024

Lebanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates condemns the Israeli massacres in the Gaza Strip

In a [statement](#) released on May 28, 2024 via "X", the Lebanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates [condemned](#) the Israeli occupation's continued massacres against defenseless civilians in the Gaza Strip, the latest of which was the deliberate targeting of the tents of displaced Palestinians near the headquarters of the UNRWA agency northwest of the Palestinian city of Rafah. It claimed the lives of dozens of martyrs and wounded, in blatant defiance of the recently issued decision of the International Court of Justice regarding Israel's demand to stop its military operations in Rafah.

Health Ministry figures for southern Lebanon: 375 dead and more than 1,500 injuries

On May 28, 2024 the Lebanese Health Ministry published its latest assessment on the clashes taking place in southern Lebanon. Based on hospital data up to and including May 28, 2024, it counts a total of 1,534 victims since Oct. 8, 2023, including 375 deaths and 257 wounded requiring hospitalization. Of the total number of victims recorded, both dead and injured, 88 percent were men and 96 percent were Lebanese nationals, 57 percent of whom were aged between 25 and 44. Of the injuries recorded by the ministry, 45 percent were due to trauma caused by Israeli bombardment, 34 percent to explosions and 16 percent to exposure to chemical products.

Wednesday
29 May 2024

Lebanon backtracks on ICC jurisdiction to probe alleged war crimes

Lebanon has reversed a move to authorize the International Criminal Court to investigate alleged war crimes on its soil, prompting a prominent rights group to deplore what it called the loss of an "historic opportunity" for justice, according to a news report [released](#) by Reuters on May 29, 2024. A Lebanese official, speaking on condition of anonymity, told Reuters the initial cabinet decision raised "confusion" over whether a [declaration](#) would "open the door for the court to investigate whatever it wanted across different files".

Thursday
30 May 2024

[The National Human Rights Commission launches its annual report for the year 2023](#)

In a news release, the National Human Rights Commission announced on May 30, 2024 its yearly report which examines the human rights situation in Lebanon. The report sheds light on the challenges in enjoying civil and political rights on one hand, and economic, social, and cultural rights on the other hand, with a focus on the most vulnerable groups. Additionally, it addresses violations of human rights and international humanitarian law in Lebanon following the Israeli aggression on Lebanon coinciding with the outbreak of the war against the population in the Gaza Strip at the beginning of October 2023.

[War heightens risk of wildfires in south Lebanon this summer](#)

"Fire season in Lebanon this year has started earlier than normal," said George Mitri, advisor to the Environment Minister and director of the Land and Natural Resources Program at the Environment Institute at the University of Balamand, according to a news report published by L'Orient Today. The program analyzes forest fires across Lebanon and runs an online platform tracking wildfire risks based on weather data. Thursday's [daily report](#) on the online platform listed various villages in the districts of Nabatieh, Bint Jbeil, Hasbaya, Marjayoun and Sour, which are covered with olive, pine and two types of centuries-old oak trees, as at "moderate," "high," and "extreme danger" of wildfires, marking a risk surge.

Friday
31 May 2024

[Israeli drone targets ambulance in Naqoura](#)

The Civil Defense Operations Room - Islamic Health Authority [confirmed](#) that its ambulance crew was targeted in an Israeli drone strike on their vehicle in Naqoura on May 31, 2024. The attack resulted in the death of one paramedic and the injury of another, according to a news report released by the National News Agency.

[Lebanon files a complaint to the Security Council after students aboard a school bus were injured due to Israeli shelling](#)

In a statement posted on "X", the Lebanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates announced that it has submitted a complaint to the Security Council through its delegation in New York, on May 31, 2024. The [complaint](#) was issued as a response to the targeting of a vehicle carrying a Lebanese citizen, resulting in his death, and injuring three students who were aboard a school bus by the Israeli army.

Saturday and Sunday
1 and 2 June 2024

[Intense phosphorus shelling on Adeisseh](#)

The National News Agency reported that the Israeli army targeted the town of Adeisseh, Marjayoun District, with violent phosphorus shells on June 1, 2024.

[Israeli strike leads to seven injuries](#)

The National News Agency reported that Civil Defense teams transported seven injured individuals as a result of the airstrike on the town of Sadiqin on June 1, 2024.

[Two civilians killed in Israeli drone strike on Houla](#)

Two [civilians](#) were killed on June 2, 2024 in an Israeli raid on the town of Houla in the eastern sector of southern Lebanon, according to a news report released by the National News Agency.

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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