



# HUMAN RIGHTS DEVELOPMENTS IN A WEEK

24 March- 30 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**  
24 March  
2025

### **Israeli artillery shell falls on outskirts of Shebaa**

National News Agency correspondent reported that an Israeli artillery shell [fell](#) on the outskirts of the town of Shebaa on March 24, 2025.

### **One Killed in Israeli Drone Strike on a Car in Southern Lebanon**

A person was [killed](#) in an Israeli drone strike targeting a car in the town of Qaquaiyat Al-Jisr in the Nabatiyeh district, southern Lebanon, in a new violation of the ceasefire agreement on Monday evening, according to the Lebanese Ministry of Health.

A Lebanese security source told Al Jazeera's correspondent that the Israeli drone fired two missiles at the vehicle, destroying it and setting it ablaze.

**Tuesday**  
25 March 2025

### **UN says more than 21,000 people fled Syria sectarian violence for Lebanon**

The United Nations refugee agency [said](#) on [Tuesday](#) that more than 21,000 people had fled sectarian violence in Syria this month for safety in neighboring Lebanon.

"The hostilities... in early March continue to displace people on a steady daily basis" into northern Lebanon, the UNHCR statement said, reporting "21,637 new arrivals from Syria" citing figures provided by Lebanese authorities and the Lebanese Red Cross.

### **Lebanese Army: Kidnapped Minor Rescued in Hortala – Baalbek**

The Lebanese Army – Directorate of Orientation issued the following statement on March 25, 2025: Following information about an individual kidnapping the minor (M.A.), a Syrian national, in the town of Hortala – Baalbek and demanding a ransom for his release, an army unit, supported by an Intelligence Directorate patrol, raided the kidnapper's residence and successfully freed the victim. The army also arrested (A.H.), the kidnapper's wife, and seized a handgun, a sum of money, and a quantity of drugs. Efforts are ongoing to apprehend the kidnapper.

**Wednesday**  
26 March 2025

### **Israeli planes flying above North Lebanon**

Israeli jets were spotted flying above [Sour](#), Hermel, and [Baalbek](#) districts in the morning of Wednesday, 26 March, 2025 at medium to low altitudes.

## ISF arrests a wanted person for drug crimes in Halba

### **Statement from the General Directorate of Internal Security Forces - Public Relations Division issued on March 26, 2025:**

As part of the ongoing efforts by the Internal Security Forces to combat crimes of all kinds across all Lebanese regions, and as a result of field and intelligence follow-up, the specialized units of the Information Branch were able to locate a wanted individual in Halba, identified as:

A.K. (born in 1997) and faces several legal proceedings for drug offenses.

On March 18, 2025, after monitoring and surveillance, a branch patrol arrested him in a well-planned ambush at the Kousha-Halba intersection. A combat pistol, a magazine containing several rounds of ammunition, a sum of money, and a cell phone were seized in his possession.

The arrested individual and the seized items were placed in the relevant location for legal action, based on the instructions of the competent judiciary.

## Referral of the complaint against Daraj and Megaphone platforms to the Court of Appeals Public Prosecutor in Beirut

On March 26, 2025, the Public Prosecutor at the Court of Cassation, Judge Jamal [Al-Hajjar](#), referred a complaint against the media platforms *Daraj Media* and *Megaphone* to the Court of Appeals Public Prosecutor in Beirut for legal action. The complaint, filed by lawyers Elie Chahla, Joseph Zeidan, and George Mosalli, accuses both platforms and their representatives of undermining Lebanon's financial stability, inciting discord, and receiving suspicious foreign funds to influence public confidence. The case, registered under number 664/M/2025, has been assigned to Judge Ziad Abu Haidar for investigation and further action.

Thursday  
27 March 2025

## Three citizens killed by an Israeli raid in Yahmar al-Shaqif

The Public Health Emergency Operations Center of the Ministry of Public Health issued a statement on Facebook announcing that three citizens were [killed](#) in Yahmar al-Shaqif after an Israeli raid on a car on Thursday, 27 March, 2025.

The center also announced the death of two citizens due to the hostile airstrike on the town of [Braachit](#), according to a news report by the National News Agency.

## General Security arrested 49-year-old Ali Nassar after a video of him sexually assaulting a 6-year-old girl went viral

General Security arrested 49-year-old Ali Nassar after a video of him sexually assaulting a 6-year-old girl went viral. Nassar, a General Security officer, appears in the video in his military uniform, cornering the child and forcibly touching her body, before approaching to kiss her. The video also captures some of the child's friends being driven away when they tried to see what was happening behind the wall. Nassar is under investigation based on an order from the Mount Lebanon Cassation Public Prosecution, issued by Judge Fadi Malkoun, according to a news report released by Megaphone News on March 27, 2025.

## 56 Syrians Arrested in Arsal's Outskirts – Baalbek

### **Statement from the Army Command – Directorate of Orientation issued on March 27, 2025:**

As part of efforts to combat infiltration and smuggling across the northern and eastern borders, an army unit arrested 56 Syrians in the outskirts of Arsal – Baalbek for entering Lebanese territory. The unit also seized four vehicles and three motorcycles.

Additionally, another army unit confiscated a quantity of narcotics, military ammunition, and equipment while conducting security measures in the town of Houch Al-Sayed Ali – Hermel.

The seized items have been handed over, and investigations with the detainees are underway under the supervision of the competent judiciary.

**Friday**  
28 March 2025

## ISF arrests drug dealer in Antelias

### **Statement issued by the General Directorate of Internal Security Forces - Public Relations Division on Friday, March 29, 2025:**

As part of the ongoing efforts by the Internal Security Forces to curb drug trafficking and trafficking across various Lebanese regions, the Information Branch received information regarding an unknown individual distributing narcotics to a large number of customers in the coastal area of Metn.

Subsequently, the branch's specialized units initiated field and investigative procedures. As a result of extensive investigations and inquiries, they identified the individual as: I. H. (born in 1992).

On March 22, 2025, after close monitoring and surveillance, a branch patrol arrested him red-handed while distributing drugs in the Antelias area, aboard a red Mitsubishi, which was subsequently seized. .

During interrogation, he confessed to the charges against him, including trafficking drugs to a large number of customers for a dealer in the Sahel al-Matn area, from the Mkalles roundabout to Dbayeh, using the vehicle in which he was arrested.

The vehicle was impounded, legal action was taken against the detainee, and he and the seized items were handed over to the relevant authority, based on the instructions of the competent judiciary.

**Saturday and Sunday**  
29 and 30 March  
2025

## Lebanese Army arrests 6 individuals for different crimes

### **Statement issued from the Army Command - Directorate of Orientation on Saturday, March 29, 2025:**

An Intelligence Directorate patrol in the Damour-Chouf area arrested (A.S.B.) for drug use and trafficking, and seized a quantity of drugs and a sum of money in his possession.

An army unit also arrested (A.A.) in the town of Qasr-Hermel, a citizen wanted for firing at an army patrol, and (H.Q.) for smuggling.

Another army unit raided the homes of wanted individuals in the city of Zahle and the towns of Terbol and Rayak-Zahle, arresting (T.S.) and (M.S.) and (N.N.), both wanted for firing. A quantity of weapons, ammunition, and military equipment was seized.

The seized items were handed over, and investigations with the detainees were initiated under the supervision of the competent judiciary.

### **Artillery shells and bombs fired by Israel at Southern Lebanon**

The National News Agency reported that an Israeli drone dropped a bomb on the village of Houla on Sunday, March 30, 2025, during a gathering of residents in one of its neighborhoods. Israel also fired five [artillery shells](#) at the outskirts of the town of Wazzani.

### **General Security arrested suspects in rocket firing**

#### **Statement issued by the Public Relations Office - General Directorate of General Security on Sunday, March 30, 2025:**

As part of its ongoing monitoring of the security situation and maintaining stability, particularly in light of the recent events in southern Lebanon, which included the launching of rockets from unknown sources on March 22 and 28, the General Directorate of General Security has intensified its intelligence operations to uncover those involved in these acts.

Under the supervision of the competent judiciary, the General Directorate of General Security has arrested a number of suspects, and relevant authorities have begun investigations to determine responsibilities and take appropriate legal action.

# 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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