LIVE BLOG: Gaza Records Largest Number of Starvation Deaths in a Day as Tensions in Israel Rise – Day 699

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Israel continues to commit horrific massacres in Gaza. (Photo: via QNN) Share

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Ismail Thawabteh, head of the Government Media Office in Gaza, said that famine is not limited to Gaza City, and that indicators show all parts of the Strip face catastrophic conditions heading quickly toward food system collapse.

Meanwhile, the New York Times reported that Israeli officials—including Foreign Minister Gideon Sa'ar, Chief of Staff Eyal Zamir, Mossad head David Barnea, and Israeli National Security Adviser Tzachi Hanegbi—oppose Netanyahu's insistence on a comprehensive deal to end the war in Gaza.

Since October 7, 2023, Israel has killed 63,633 and injured 160,914 others, the majority of whom are women and children, according to the Palestinian Ministry of Health in Gaza.

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Thu, Sep 4, 12:04 AM (Palestine Time)

US Jewish Organization: Smotrich Driving Israel Toward the Abyss J STREET:

The US-based Jewish organization J Street said Israeli Finance Minister Bezalel Smotrich is pushing Israel "toward the abyss."

It warned that Smotrich's West Bank annexation plans threaten Israeli democracy, undermine peace prospects, aim to deny Palestinians self-determination, weaken US-Israel relations, and deepen Israel's isolation.

Thu, Sep 4, 12:04 AM (Palestine Time)

Ansarallah: We Targeted Sensitive Site West of Jerusalem

ANSARALLAH MILITARY SPOKESMAN: The military spokesperson for Yemen's Ansar Allah said the group targeted a "sensitive site" west of Jerusalem with missiles, achieving its objectives.

Thu, Sep 4, 12:04 AM (Palestine Time)

Hamas: Awaiting Israeli Response to Mediators' Proposal

HAMAS STATEMENT: Hamas said it is still waiting for the Israeli response to the mediators' proposal, which the movement and other Palestinian factions have accepted.

Wed, Sep 3, 10:36 AM (Palestine Time)

Six Palestinians Die From Starvation

GAZA HEALTH MINISTRY: The Gaza Ministry of Health announced the death of six Palestinians, including a child, due to famine and malnutrition in the past 24 hours. The total death toll from starvation has risen to 367, including 131 children.

Wed, Sep 3, 10:36 AM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Government Prepares to Blame Army if Occupation of Gaza City Fails

ISRAELI MEDIA: The Israel Hayom newspaper quoted security sources as saying the government is preparing to hold the army and its Chief of Staff, Eyal Zamir, responsible if the operation to occupy Gaza City fails.

Wed, Sep 3, 10:36 AM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Army: We Detected a Missile Launch from Yemen

ISRAELI ARMY SPOKESPERSON: The Israeli army said it detected a missile launch from Yemen towards Israel. The Israeli Home Front Command reported sirens sounding in wide areas of central Israel following the detection of the missile. Israeli Channel 12 mentioned that airspace was closed at Ben Gurion Airport. An Israeli army spokesperson said air defenses successfully intercepted the missile.

Wed, Sep 3, 10:36 AM (Palestine Time)

Israelis Protest near the Knesset

ISRAELI MEDIA: The Israeli Broadcasting Corporation said protesters demanding a stop to the war and the return of captives climbed onto the roof of the National Library near the Knesset. Protesters also blocked the entrance to the Knesset with their cars.

Wed, Sep 3, 10:36 AM (Palestine Time)

Lavrov: An Immediate Ceasefire in Gaza is Necessary

INDONESIAN MEDIA: Indonesia's Kompas newspaper quoted Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov: It is now necessary to prevent the complete destruction of Gaza and stop the killing of civilians. An immediate ceasefire in Gaza, the release of hostages, and the access of aid are essential. Israel's policy of restricting the delivery of humanitarian aid to Gaza raises serious concerns.

Wed, Sep 3, 10:36 AM (Palestine Time)

Activist in Global Sumud Flotilla: Drones Flew at a Close Distance above Us

FREEDOM FLOTILLA COALITION: Tiago Avila, a Brazilian activist and one of the organizers of the "Global Steadfastness Flotilla" campaign to break the siege on Gaza: Drones flew at a close distance above the flotilla. We will not stop and we will continue efforts to break the siege on Gaza.

Wed, Sep 3, 10:36 AM (Palestine Time)

Five Killed in Bombing of a Tent West of al-Nuseirat Camp

PALESTINIAN MEDIA: A source at al-Awda and al-Aqsa Martyrs Hospitals reported five Palestinians killed following an Israeli strike on a tent west of the al-Nuseirat camp in the central Gaza Strip.

Wed, Sep 3, 10:36 AM (Palestine Time)

Chair Of UK Parliament Defense Committee Criticizes Israel

AL-JAZEERA: The Chair of the Defence Committee in the UK House of Commons told Al Jazeera: Israel shows indicators that it wants to control Gaza and the West Bank. We struggle in dealing with the strategic direction that Israel is pursuing.

Wed, Sep 3, 12:39 AM (Palestine Time)

Netanyahu Allies: Washington Told Us to Exploit Gaza Opportunity but Time Is Limited

ISRAELI MEDIA: Channel 12 reported that close associates of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, wanted by the International Criminal Court, said: "Washington told us to exploit the opportunity to destroy Hamas, but we know our time is limited."

Wed, Sep 3, 12:39 AM (Palestine Time)

New York Times: Israeli Officials Reject Netanyahu's Position on Gaza Deal NEW YORK TIMES:

The New York Times reported that Israeli officials—including Foreign Minister Gideon Sa'ar, Chief of Staff Eyal Zamir, Mossad head David Barnea, and Israeli National Security Adviser Tzachi Hanegbi—oppose Netanyahu's insistence on a comprehensive deal to end the war in Gaza.

Tue, Sep 2, 9:09 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Army Struggling to Secure Reservists for Gaza Operation - Report

PALESTINE CHRONICLE: The Israeli army is "struggling" to find enough reservists to report for duty, with many questioning the purpose of the ongoing military operation in Gaza, according to the Wall Street Journal.

This comes as Israel seeks to call up 60,000 reservists for the army's new offensive on Gaza City, employing "unusual methods to find enough men," the report stated.

Tue, Sep 2, 9:06 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Broadcasting Authority Reveals Cost of Gaza City Occupation

ISRAELI MEDIA: The Israeli Broadcasting Authority said the cost of occupying Gaza City could reach \$7.4 billion.

Tue, Sep 2, 8:55 PM (Palestine Time)

CNN: Sharp Escalation of Tensions Between Israeli Leaderships

CNN (citing Israeli officials):

Tensions between the political and military leaderships have escalated sharply in the past week.

Chief of Staff Eyal Zamir confronted Netanyahu directly in a recent meeting on plans to expand the Gaza war.

Zamir opposed the decision to launch a large-scale assault on Gaza in two Cabinet meetings.

Tue, Sep 2, 8:55 PM (Palestine Time)

Israeli Media: US Secretary of State Rubio to Visit Israel in 12 Days

ISRAELI MEDIA: US Secretary of State Marco Rubio will visit Israel in 12 days.

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Haaretz: Netanyahu Moves Cabinet Meeting to Secret Bunker

HAARETZ:

Haaretz reported that Netanyahu insisted on moving Sunday's Cabinet meeting to a secret fortified bunker despite Shin Bet seeing no need for it.

Netanyahu's office justified the move by citing increased threats from the Houthis after the assassination of their officials.

Sources close to Netanyahu linked his insistence to his expected testimony in his ongoing trial.

Tue, Sep 2, 8:55 PM (Palestine Time)

Ismail Thawabteh: Gaza Faces Mass Deaths

GAZA GOVERNMENT MEDIA OFFICE:

Ismail Thawabteh, head of the Government Media Office in Gaza, told Al Jazeera Net:

Time is running out, and the likelihood of mass deaths is increasing.

Israel pursues a deliberate starvation policy by blocking food, obstructing aid, destroying markets and supply stores, and ensuring aid does not reach those in need.

Famine is not limited to Gaza City—indicators show all parts of the Strip face catastrophic conditions heading quickly toward food system collapse.

Tue, Sep 2, 6:20 PM (Palestine Time)

Ansarallah Announces Attacks on Israeli Targets

ANSARALLAH MILITARY SPOKESMAN:

We attacked the Israeli General Staff headquarters, Lod Airport, and Ashdod Port with four drones.

We attacked Israel's electric company in Hadera with another drone.

Tue, Sep 2, 6:20 PM (Palestine Time)

Doctors Without Borders: Pressure Must Be Put on Israel to End Genocide

AL-JAZEERA:

Pressure must be applied on Israel to stop the genocide in Gaza.

We are unable to respond to the humanitarian needs in Gaza.

The US and Israel's allies must stop supplying it with weapons.

As long as Washington uses its veto, nothing will change in Gaza.

There must be an immediate and unconditional ceasefire to deliver services to Gaza.