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Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) for Gaza

SITUATION OVERVIEW



Following Palestinian armed groups' launch of "Operation Al-Asqa Flood" on 7 October, the Israeli Forces launched operation "Iron Sword" with strikes on the Gaza Strip by air, land and sea. The current escalation follows six major military escalations between Israel and Palestinian militants in the past years, leading to substantial destruction of Gaza's infrastructure and grave human suffering. This escalation has been marked by increased brutality and destruction, surpassing previous conflicts. According to the Palestinian Ministry of Health's update at least 27238 Palestinians have lost their lives, and 66452 have been injured in Gaza since the start of the escalation. An additional 163 Palestinians were killed, and 4383 were injured by Israeli forces in the West Bank. With Israel's formal declaration of war, the number of vulnerable individuals is expected to increase, and settler attacks in the West Bank and East Jerusalem are becoming more violent.



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The following declaration of a complete siege in Gaza and closure of all crossings created severe shortages of electricity, food, water, and fuel. Drugs, medical supplies and fuel are only expected to last a few days. Gaza's 13 hospitals and health facilities are only partially functioning. Prior to the escalation there were stockouts of 48% of essential medical supplies in Gaza, including 20 items crucial for maternity and pediatric services. WHO has documented 63 health attacks since 7 October resulting in casualties among healthcare workers and damage to 13 healthcare facilities and at least 27 ambulances.



TEROUS RESPONSE



Terous Misr Foundation began its operations supporting Gaza in October 23, providing highquality, comprehensive, holistic rights-based services, and including food donations. medical supplies, clothes. covers targeting Palestinians across Gaza, East Jerusalem and the West Bank.



In Egypt we work closely to provide all the day to day needs for the injured cases and their companions who arrived to be hospitalized in Egyptian hospitals specially children who were considered as very critical cases.



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