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The Israeli Committee Against House Demolitions
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Resisting Apartheid, Building a Shared Democracy

Demolitions & Displacement in the occupied West Bank (including occupied East Jerusalem) and within the state of Israel



Demolished house, Sur Bahir, East Jerusalem, 18 April 2023

April 2023 Report

2 Demolished structures - OPT	0 Demolished structures - Israel	2 Displaced people	6 Other Affected People
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Location	Date	Structures Demolished/ Confiscated	Displaced people	Affected people	Reason for Demolition stated by Israel ¹
Sur Bahir, East Jerusalem	18 Apr 2023	1 inhabited residential structure	2 children	2 adults, 3 children	Lack of an Israeli-issued building permit / East Jerusalem / Self-Demolition
Jericho, Jericho	30 Apr 2023	1 agricultural structure	0	1 adult	Lack of an Israeli-issued building permit / Area C
TOTAL		2 structures: 1 residential structure, 1 agricultural structure	2 displaced	6 affected (of which 3 adults and 2 children confirmed)	2 incidents on grounds of lacking an Israeli-issued building permit

Notes:

¹. There are four categories of demolitions:

1. Punitive demolitions: Houses demolished as punishment for the actions of people associated with the houses.
2. Administrative demolitions: Houses demolished for lack of a building permit. This happens in Area C and in East Jerusalem, under exclusive Israeli authority, though prior to the existence of Areas A, B & C it occurred in other areas as well. It is important to point out that in almost all cases, Palestinians have no choice but to build "illegally" as permits are rarely granted
3. Land-clearing operations/Military demolitions: Houses demolished by the IDF in the course of military operations for the purposes of clearing off a piece of land (for whatever reason), achieve a military goal or to kill wanted persons as part of Israel's policy of extrajudicial executions..
4. Undefined demolitions: These include mainly demolitions resulting from land-clearing operations and removal of Palestinian populations.

* WASH stands for structures relating to water, sanitation and hygiene.

† In many cases, notably in East Jerusalem, Israeli authorities condition Palestinians to either demolish their properties themselves or have the authorities do so. In an attempt to avoid having to pay the high fee of the Israeli authorities' demolition operation and additional high fines, many Palestinians are forced to self-demolish.

** No additional information was available

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