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#### What is MA'AN?

MA'AN Development Center is an independent Palestinian development and training institution established in January,1989, registered by law as a non-profit organization. The main office is located in Ramallah and the two branch offices are located in Gaza and Jenin,. MA'AN's work is informed by the necessity of creating independent, self-reliant initiatives that lead to the development of human resources for sustainable development, which incorporate values of self-sufficiency and self-empowerment.

#### MA'AN's Mission

To partner and work hand in hand with Palestinian NGOs, Community Based organizations and grassroots groups in the poorest and most marginalized areas to improve the quality of their lives and empower them to take a lead in developing their communities and achieving self reliance and sustainable development based on freedom, participation equity & equality, respect for human

#### **Mission Statement:**

To improve the quality of life for Palestinians and empower them to take a lead in developing their communities and achieving self reliance and sustainable development.

rights, democracy, and social justice through achieving the following five goals:

- Improving the food security situation of the poorest and most marginalized sectors of the Palestinian society at the family & community level
- To develop and enhance the capacities of the Palestinian NGOs, CBOs and grassroots organizations to be able to fulfill their missions and goals so as to contribute to building a Palestinian civil and democratic society based on political pluralism and respect of human rights
- 3. To enhance community development and decrease poverty in rural and the most disadvantaged areas
- 4. To protect and develop the Palestinian environment
- To raise awareness and advocate for and with the Palestinian community on their national rights at the local, national, and international level

These goals are realized through the following programs:

- 1. Agricultural and Food Security Program
- 2. Community Development Program
- 3. Women Development Program
- 4. Youth and Adolescent Development Program
- 5. Environment Protection Program



Capacity Building, Advocacy, and Lobbying is across cutting issue that is a tool used throughout MA'AN's programs

#### Target Groups and Stakeholders

MA'AN seeks to reach certain key target groups through their programs and activities. The target groups can be characterized as:

Target Group/Beneficiaries	Programs for this Group				
Rural Women	Women Development Program				
Youth and Adolescents	Youth and adolescent Development Program				
Farmers	Agricultural and Food Security Program				
CBOs and their members	Community Development Program				
Jordan Valley Citizens	Environment Protection Program Community Development Program				
Cross cutting: Capacity Building, Advocacy and Lobbying					

# NO TO BANTUSTANS! STOP ISRAELI APARTHEID!



**TEAR DOWN THE WALL!** 

## Introduction:

s the world was celebrating the 20th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall, Palestinians, Local popular committees, international and Israeli activists were celebrating the future fall of the Apartheid Wall in the Occupied Palestinian **Territories** (OPT) dismantling a part of the concrete 'Wall' and cutting the barbed wire in Ni'lin -a village in Ramallah- and in Al Ma'sara in Bethlehem. Palestinians, international and Israeli activists were sending a message to the whole world, namely that it is time for this 'Wall' to fall.

While the world has been building bridges for global peace, Israel has been constructing the Apartheid Wall in the OPT. Throughout the last eight years, the Apartheid Wall and its associated regime have had grave humanitarian impact on Palestinian cities, villages, and Palestinians, hindering their right to freedom of movement, work, education, health and an adequate standard of living. Israel's continuation of the construction of the 'Wall', settlements, checkpoints and Israeli only roads following the International Court of Justice's (ICJ) advisory decision on 9 July 2004 is a blatant disregard of International law, International mechanisms and the international community. Without international justice there will never be a just and durable peace in the Middle East. The international community's complicity with Israel's continued illegal actions against the Palestinian people undermines both international law and international justice.

# Introduction



Reminiscences of the fall of the Berlin Wall and the collapse of the Apartheid regime in South Africa affirm that tyranny cannot exist for long. Although, the Berlin Wall was "torn down by the unbreakable spirit

of the people"(1), it was the international community's support and political will that helped in tearing down the Berlin Wall and bringing an end to the Apartheid regime in South Africa. Upholding international justice will bring about the Palestinian aspirations and hope for a better future.

MA'AN believes that global solidarity for Palestine needs to be transformed into action in order to compel Israel to abide by her obligations under international law. The international community and world leaders have a responsibility under international law to hold Israel accountable and to uphold international justice. Continued lobbying by the international community regarding the implementation of the International Court of Justice's advisory opinion on the 'Wall' and its associated regime is inexorable.

As part of MA'AN's advocacy efforts, this year our agenda will shed light on the Apartheid Wall and its apartheid regime, the legality of the 'Wall', the humanitarian impact on Palestinian cities, villages, towns and people by featuring 8 districts negatively affected by the construction of the 'Wall'; highlights popular resistance to the 'Wall' and covers the controversy of art on the 'Wall'. MA'AN hopes to spread awareness about the illegality of the Apartheid Wall and its associated regime as well as to mobilize global voices in its campaign to dismantling the Apartheid Wall.



United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

# West Bank Barrier Route Projections July 2009

West Bank ISRAEL



#### Area Affected

The Barrier's total length is 709 km, more than twice the length of the 1949 Armistice Line (Green Line) between the West Bank and Israel.

The total area located between the Barrier and the Green Line is 9.5 % of the West Bank, including East Jerusalem and No Man's Land.

When completed, approximately 15% of the Barrier will be constructed on the Green Line or in Israel with 85 % inside the West Bank.

#### Populations Affected

If the Barrier is completed based on the current route:

Approximately 35,000 Palestinians holding West Bank ID cards in 34 communities will be located between the Barrier and the Green Line.

The majority of Palestinians with East Jerusalem ID cards will reside between the Barrier and the Green Line. However, Palestinian communities inside the current municipal boundary, Kaff Aqab and Shufat Camp, are separated from East Jerusalem by the Barrier.

Approximately 125,000 Palestinians will be surrounded by the Barrier on three sides. These comprise 28 communities; the Biddya and Biddu areas, and the city of Qalqilya.

Approximately 26,000 Palestinians in 8 communities in the Az Zawiya and Bir Nabala Enclaves will be surrounded on four sides by the Barrier, with a tunnel or road connection to the rest of the West Bank.

#### **Barrier Route**

\_\_\_ Completed (413 km or 58.3 %)

Under construction (73 km or 10.2 %)

Planned (223 km or 31.5 %)

Cartography and Barrier Themes: OCHA-oPt IMU Map July 2009 Base data: MoPIC (2000) updates OCHA (2009)

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Unveiling the Apartheid Wall

#### Unveiling the Apartheid Wall<sup>(2)</sup>

n September 2000, the late Likud leader Ariel Sharon accompanied by thousands of Israeli forces made his infamous provocative visit to Al-Aqsa mosque in Jerusalem's old city triggering the Al-Aqsa Intifada. The frustration of Palestinians due to the deteriorating economic situation, the failure of negotiations and the lack of a future led to the start of the Al-Aqsa Intifada. During this period, violence between both the Israelis and Palestinians intensified, injuring and killing thousands mostly on the Palestinian side. On November 2000 claiming the Apartheid Wall to be a security measure to protect Israel, the government of Israel, headed by Ehud Barak, approved a plan to construct a 'barrier' in the West Bank, known by Palestinians as the 'Apartheid Wall' . However, to this day the Apartheid Wall has not been constructed on Israel's side of the Green Line, the 1949 Armistice Line, where the 1967 borders became in-

ternationally recognized the potential borders between Israel and OPT. The Apartheid Wall's deviation from the 1967 border exposes Israel's strategy of land grab by creating de facto facts on the ground before any final settlement is achieved. Through incorporating Israeli settlements west of the 'Wall', the Apartheid Wall and its associated regime serves to secure the presence of illegal settlements in the West Bank and annexes East Jerusalem -the future Palestinian capital-.

# Why is the Wall an Apartheid Wall?

The labeling of the 'Wall' has been inconsistent varying from 'barrier' to 'security fence' to 'Wall' to 'Separation Wall' and 'Annexation and Segregation Wall'. However, the Palestinians have come to identify it as the Apartheid Wall. According to Article II of the International Convention on the Suppression and Punishment of the Crime of Apartheid (1979), the 'crime of apartheid' can be defined as:

"similar policies and practices of racial segregation and discrimination as practiced in southern Africa, shall apply to the following inhuman acts [denial to members of a racial group the right to life and liberty, imposing living conditions causing physical destruction of a certain racial group, legislative and other measures denving embers of a racial group right to work, life, movement, etc. creation of separate reserves and ghettos for members of a racial group, expropriation of land property, persecution of those opposing apartheid] committed for the purpose of establishing and maintaining domination by one racial group of persons over any other racial group of persons and systematically oppressing them"

The Apartheid Wall in the OPT has imposed a systematic regime of apartheid by denying Palestinians their right to freedom of movement, education, health and adequate living. It further involves an institutional form of discrimination against Palestinians by protecting the illegal Israeli settlements that are built on Palestinian land. constructing Israeli only roads and by imposing other physical and administrate measures. It segregates population on the basis of racial ties and discriminates against Palestinians to benefit Israeli settlers. Thus, Palestinians refer to the 'Wall' as the Apartheid Wall since it conforms to the definition of apartheid.

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February



History, Structure and Impact of the Apartheid Wall

## February:

#### History, Structure and Impact of the Apartheid Wall (3)

#### History:

of the Apartheid Wall in the West Bank fragmenting the OPT into three non-contiguous cantons in the northwest, central and south and restricting movement between them through an apartheid system of roadblocks, checkpoints and settlements.

The first phase of the 'Wall' was completed in 2003 in the Qalqilya, Tulkarem and Jenin districts after damaging agricultural land and demolishing houses and infrastructure.

The second phase of the construction of the 'Wall' followed in Bethlehem, Hebron, Salfit, Ramallah and Jerusalem respectively.

#### Structure:

The structure of the Apartheid Wall takes a number of physi-

cal forms: in Qalqilya its 8-meters high made of concrete and lined with watchtowers: in Bethlehem and other areas it is a series of fences including electric, trenches, roads, barbed wires, cameras, buffer zones and by-pass roads. Its width ranges between 70-100 meters. In urban areas such as Jerusalem. Bethlehem. Qalqilya and Tulkarem, the Apartheid Wall is in the form of concrete Wall of 8 meters high runs along 45 Km.

In some areas the Apartheid Wall has transferred some Palestinian villages and suburbs into enclaves of two types; type one is where villages become walled from three sides with the fourth side as the only access and exit point; type two is where villages and suburbs are enclaved and isolated from the rest of the world and are trapped between the 'Wall' and the Green Line.

Access to these enclaves is only possible through gates -in the Wall- with restricted opening hours and search procedures. This type of enclaves is also known as 'seam zones': Palestinians -above the age 16- living in 'seam zones' are expected to have special permits allowing them to remain in their homes, while family and friends require visitorpermits to visit their families and farmers owning land isolated between the Apartheid Wall and the Green Line require permits to access their land. Other Palestinian land. located between the Apartheid Wall and the Green Line has been declared as closed military zones. Closed zones are located along the route of the Apartheid Wall in Hebron, Ramallah, Salfit, Bethlehem, Jerusalem Tulkarem, Jenin and Qalqilya.

#### Humanitarian Impact:

According to B'tselem, an Israeli human rights organization, Israeli officials disregarded Palestinian human rights when they were planning the Apartheid Wall's route. Similar to its impact on Gaza, when the Apartheid Wall is complete it will isolate the West Bank from the rest of the world. The Apartheid Wall's route slices the West Bank into cantons surrounded by settlements, by-pass roads, checkpoints and military bases affecting Palestinian urban and rural communities.

#### **Urban Impact**

Physical and administrative restrictions have separated Palestinian workers from their places of employment, children from their schools and sick and elderly from health-care and medical facilities, Palestinians from their places of worship and have affected family and social ties.

Metropolis cities such as Bethlehem, Hebron and east Jerusalem have suffered economically due to the movement restrictions on goods access to the markets





#### Rural Impact:

Areas affected by the Apartheid Wall include the most agriculturally productive lands and richest water resources in the West Bank

Tens of thousands of olive trees have been uprooted for the construction of the Apartheid Wall

The Palestinian Agriculture Ministry says 200,000 olive trees have been destroyed by Israeli soldiers and settlers to provide security for settlers.

1 million olive trees comprising 85,000 dunums will be isolated by the Apartheid Wall

Israel's Defense Ministry is investigating reports that Palestinian olive trees

uprooted to make way for a 'security fence' are being sold illegally to rich Israelis and town councils, sometimes for thousands of pounds each

The movement restrictions and closed zones have isolated farmers from their agricultural land and preventing them from cultivating their lands and curtailing access of goods to markets.

Although some seasonal gates now open on selected days throughout the week, a few days are not sufficient for essential year-round activities such as ploughing, pruning, fertilizing and pest and weed management which would improve the quantity and quality of the olive oil yield.

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The Apartheid Wall's Facts and Figures:

Total Length of the Apartheid Wall: 709 Km Completed Construction: 58% Under Construction: 10% Planned Construction: 31.5% Length of the Apartheid Wall inside the Green Line: 85%

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 There are 63 Israeli checkpoints and gates built into the wall.
 Palestinians have limited access to checkpoints and gates that have restricted opening hours.

### Once Completed:

Israel's wall will be 711 Km in length; more than twice the length of the Green Line and the Berlin Wall

85% of the Apartheid Wall's route will be constructed on Palestinian Land.

Over 10% of Palestine's population, mainly in East Jerusalem, will be enclaved between the Wall and the green line.

Approximately 125,000 Palestinians from 28 communities will be surrounded by the Wall on three sides once it is completed

Approximately 26,000 Palestinians living in 8 communities located in Az Zawiya and Bir Nabla enclaves will be surrounded by 4 sides of the Wall

Approximately 35,000 Palestinians holding West Bank ID cards across 35 communities will be trapped on the Western side of the wall

Approximately 50,000Palestinians in 38 West Bank villages and towns will be imprisoned in seam zones

Approximately 385,000 settlers in 80 settlements will be located between the Apartheid Wall and the Green Line

Palestinians will be living on less than 12% of historical Palestine





March



Illegality of the Apartheid Wall

### March:

## Illegality of the Apartheid Wall (4)

# International Court of Justice:

n July 9th 2004, the International Court of Justice (ICJ), the principal legal body of the United Nations, delivered its advisory opinion on the legal consequence of the construction of a wall in the occupied Palestinian territory. The court ruled that the construction of a Wall and its associated regime (Israeli administrative measures such as land and property confiscation, permits, closed areas, Israeli roads only) in the oPt and in and around Jerusalem by Israel is illegal under international law

The ICJ stated that Israel is under the obligation to:

- cease the construction of the Wall in the oPt including in and around east Jerusalem
- 2) dismantle completed sections of the Wall
- make reparations for damages caused by the Wall's construction

Following the court's rule, the UN General Assembly passed resolution ES-10/15 calling Israel to comply with the ICJ ruling. However, the UN Security Council has taken no action since. Six years later Israel remains in violation of the ICJ's rule. Israel until this day continues to construct the Apartheid Wall and build settlements in the oPt.

#### Third states Responsibility

In view of the importance of the rights involved, all states can be held to have a legal interest in their protection" thus states are responsible:

"Not to recognize the illegal situation resulting from the construction of the wall in the occupied Palestinian Territory including in and around East Jerusalem, under an obligation not to render aid or assistance in maintaining the situation created by such construction, to see to it that any impediment, result-

ing from the construction of the wall, to the exercise by the Palestinian people ...its right to self determination is brought to an end, to ensure compliance by Israel with international humanitarian law as embodied in the fourth Geneva Convention"

# United Nations Register of Damage (UNROD)

Following the ICJ decision, the General Assembly passed resolution A/RES/10-17 on 24 January 2007 in order to establish the United Nations Register of Damage (UNROD), to register and document any damage caused by the construction of the Wall in the occupied Palestinian Territory. body was established in order to document material damage and loss suffered by natural and legal persons due to the construction of the 'Wall' in the West Bank and in and around East Jerusalem.

A complimentary Palestinian National Committee on the Register of Damage was established by the Palestinian Authority in order to assist Palestinians affected by the construction of the Wall in filling their claims and to help the UNROD with estimates of damages. Israel, on the other hand, rejected cooperation with the office of the UNROD. The Palestinians other international and organizations have expressed their concern with UNROD's slow pace; they believe surveying that the documentation process will take decades in order to cover all the damages and losses claims in villages and areas affected by the construction of the 'Wall'.

A pilot project was launched in November 2008 in Jenin in the northern West Bank where four villages have been surveyed. By June 2009, more than 1,500 claims were collected, hundreds of which were reviewed and included in the losses registry.





#### Does the Apartheid Wall protect the Security of Israel?

Whereas the ICJ rule acknowledged Israel's right to defend itself and ensure its security by stating that Israel has the right to construct the 'Wall' on Israeli land, the court dismissed Israel's allegations that the Wall is a security wall given that 85% of the route of the wall runs inside the West Bank and in and around east Jerusalem encompassing illegal Israeli settlements in the OPT.

According to the International Court of Justice "infringements resulting from [the Apartheid Wall's] route cannot be justified by military exigencies or by the requirements of security or public order"

Israel calls it "Security Fence," although the unofficial Hebrew title of its blueprints is called "Tikkun Gvulot" which means Correction of Borders. (Lagerquist, 2004)

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Martin Luther King Jr.

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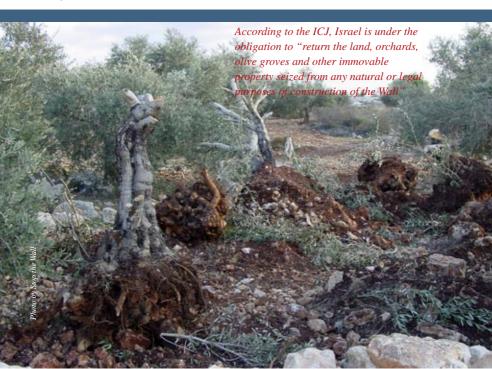
If you are neutral in situations of justice, you have chosen the side of the oppressor Archbishop Desmund Tutu of

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	- Palestinian Land Day-1976

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April



## Jerusalem:

Means of Displacement Charting Israel's Colonization of East Jerusalem

## April:

*Jerusalem:* Means of Displacement Charting Israel's Colonization of East Jerusalem <sup>(5)</sup>

Jerusalem is a holy city harboring the three monolithic religions and is known for being a commercial centre. Following the 1948 war, East Jerusalem and the old city came under the Jordanian rule where Palestinians resided. However, East Jerusalem fell under the Israeli occupation after the 1967 war.

The route of the Apartheid Wall is extremely circuitous, the section of the Apartheid Wall known as the 'Jerusalem envelope' joins the Givat Ze'ev, Ma'ale Adummim and Gush Etzion settlement blocs to the city and to Israel, while cutting the historical metropolitan Jerusalem off from the city by creating enclaves of Palestinian communities surrounded on three and four sides by the Wall. In the north, the Apartheid Wall creates two enclaves, Biddu and Bir Nabala, surrounded on three and four sides respectively by the Wall. A two kilometer sunken 'Fabric of Life' road running underneath the Givat Ze'ev settlement area connects them with Ramallah. In addition, Palestinian neighborhoods, in the north of the governorate; Kafr 'Aqab, Shu'fat refugee camp and part of Anata, have become isolated in the West Bank by the Apartheid Wall even though they are under the Jerusalem municipal boundary.

Jerusalem has been under severe efforts of Judizations through settlement building. house evictions and demolitions, checkpoints, gates, land confiscations and the construction of the Apartheid Wall, which has become a physical border between the city and the rest of the West Bank severing religious, social and economic ties between east Jerusalem and the rest of the West Bank. For Palestinians in the West Bank, access to East Jerusalem is vital due to the absence of institutions such as specialized medical care, markets and work opportunities. But of critical importance, are the religious sites in the old city and social and family ties. West Bank villages and suburbs once connected to East Jerusalem such as Ar Ram in the north and Al 'Eizariya and Abu Dis in the south, known for being the main commercial and service centre, have become separated from East Jerusalem due to the Wall.

### Impact: of the Aparthid Wall

Approximately 500 dunums of village land will be lost to the planned route of the Apartheid Wall.

1,700 of land near Artas, west of the Wall, have been designated as 'state land' in 2004 by the Israeli Civil Administration.

In Ar Ram, Of the 1,650 registered commercial establishments in 2006, 730 are now closed.

In Bir Nabala, more than half of 1,000 commercial centers have closed

In Abu Dis at least 40 out of 50 shops in the area of Ras Qubsa along the main road between Abu Dis and Ras Al Amoud have shut down.

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May



# Ramallah:

A Stranded Capital

#### Ramallah:

A Stranded Capital (6)

Ramallah is located in the central West Bank and within close proximity from Jerusalem. It became the temporary de-facto capital of the Palestinian Authority by hosting most of the governmental institutions.

The Apartheid Wall in Ramallah runs from Rantis in the north to Beitunya in the south-east. It is constructed on a route that encircles major settlements such as Bet Arye, Ofarim. Modi'in Illit and Meyo Horon and connects them with Israel. The route of the Apartheid Wall separates Ramallah from Jerusalem causing previous suburbs of Jerusalem to be left behind the Apartheid Wall on the Palestinian side. These suburbs are connected with northern Jerusalem through Israel's Apartheid associated regime of tunnels, underpasses and 'Fabric of Life' roads. The construction of the Wall in Ramallah is almost complete.

Ramallah is famous for its local popular committees in the villages of Bil'in and Ni'lin. Villages in Ramallah instigated peaceful popular activities against the construction of the Apartheid Wall and its associated regime while inspiring other popular committees in different districts located next to the wall to follow their steps. These peaceful activities include weekly demonstrations following Friday prayers, engaging local Palestinians together with International and Israeli activists. These protests have had a few successes such as re-routing the path of the Apartheid Wall which would have enclaved nine communities in other Cases it has slowed the pace of the construction of the 'Wall'.

# Impact of the Apartheid Wall:

In Ni'lin 2,500 dunums of land have been isolated by the Wall

In Budrus, despite a re-route of the 'Wall', residents have accesses to their land behind the 'Wall; only during the olive harvest

In 'Abud the 'Wall' will isolate 3,800 dunums of the village's land

In Beit 'Ur al Fuqa and Beituniya 600 dunums of land have been confiscated in order to create Palestinian roads only

Lack of access between Jerusalem and Ramallah has hindered access of residents of the West Bank to key health facilities, to universities and to markets.



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	Settlements and outposts: 26/22 Apartheid Wall Length: 79 km 5%on green line
	95% inside West Bank 5.5 Km at widest point No communities inside closed area

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construction of the Apartheid Wall.

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Hebron Destroyed
From Within:
Fragmentation, Segregation
and Forced Displacement

#### June:

### Hebron Destroyed From Within:

Fragmentation, Segregation and Forced Displacement (7)

Tebron is the largest Palestinian city in the West Bank. It is famous for being both a religious and commercial centre where special products such as pottery, glass blowing factories and dairy product manufacturers reside is the only Palestinian centre outside of Jerusalem where Israeli settlements have been established in core. Consequently, its insecurity, segregation and severe restrictions on the movement of Palestinians, especially in the city's historic centre characterize today's Hebron. In Hebron, the Apartheid Wall runs from Khirbet Ad Deir in the north to Beit Yatir in the south, enclaving two communities Beith Yair and Eshkolot between the Green line and the Apartheid Wall. The route of the Wall is not yet complete. The Apartheid Wall encirlces three settlements out of twenty two.

enclayed In Hebron. communities have access to services available in Hebron city such as schools. hospitals and markets. Fifty communities have land isolated in 'closed zones', curtailing farmers from cultivating their land and Bedouins from herding and grazing their sheep. Farmers and Bedouins are required permits in order to access their lands; however, obtaining permits is very difficult and takes time.

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Friday الجمعة	Hebron Facts & Figures:
International Day of Innocent Victims of aggression	Settlement/outposts: 22/15 Apartheid Wall length: 111 km 32% on green line 68% inside West Bank
	2 Kilometers at widest point 2 communities inside closed area Gates:6

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	- 2nd Arab-Israeli war and annual commemoration o occupation of West Bank,
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Friday الجمعة	The Beit Yatir community is one of the enclaved communities, where residents do not hold residency permit to live on their land. Thus they are subject to eviction at any time; of the 120 people with land inside the enclave, only 10 were granted permits by June 2009.

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	has been evicted, they were removed to the Palestinian side of the Taraqumiya Terminal. Even though originally from Idna, Qussa community spent eight more of the year grazing their sheep in Qussa

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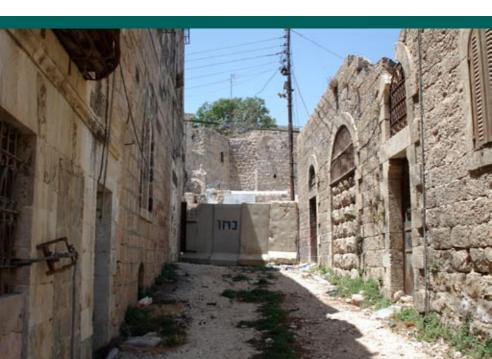
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# Bethlehem Woes:

A Troubling Times To A Holy City

# July:

#### Bethlehem Woes:

### A Troubling Times To A Holy City (8)

n ethlehem is characterized Dby being the centre of spiritual, cultural and economic Palestinian life. Bethlehem Contributes to 40% of all the economic activity in the West Bank. The Apartheid Wall runs 10 kilometers inside the Bethlehem governorate, isolating approximately 74 Km2 of land and water resources. It leaves only 13% of fragmented land available for Palestinians. The Apartheid Wall has shrunk the central urban core of the Bethlehem city and fragmented the northern and western parts of Bethlehem. In the north, the completed section of the Apartheid Wall separates Bethlehem from East Jerusalem preventing any natural growth. In the west, the Apartheid Wall will isolate the most fertile agricultural land in the governorate and nine Palestinian communities behind the Apartheid Wall severing their access to Bethlehem City where they can have access

to health, education, markets and trade services.

The 'Wall' and its associated regime have had devastating effects on Bethlehem's governorate economy such as tourism, agriculture herding and the private sector. Bethlehem's municipalities of Beit Jala and Beit Sahur have also been affected by the Wall. In Beit Jala, almost 3,000 dunums of cultivated land. whose apricot, olive, fig and almond trees are an important source of livelihood for local farmers, have been isolated. As for Beit Sahur, the 'Wall' isolates olive groves which are only accessible through two gates, open only to the Palestinian landowners during the annual olive harvest. Many land owners from Beit Jallah, Wallajeh and Beit Sahour appealed in 2004 to gain access to their land on the Jerusalem side of the Apartheid Wall. However, they learned

that their land had been confiscated and that they were now considered absentees.

#### Impact of the Apartheid Wall:

Severing the last route linking Bethlehem and Jerusalem with which it shares historic, religious, social and economic tie

Reducing Bethlehem's development space

limiting Bethlehem's access to resources

Restricting the urban area's potential for residential and industrial expansion.

Isolating the Cremisan Monastery and Winery, the only recreational forest in the area Annexing the Rachel's Tomb religious site preventing any access to the worship site and hindering a once vibrant touristic and income generating –for locals- site.









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#### Bethlehem Facts & Figures:

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west of the 'Wall'

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Al Khadr, famous for its grapes will lose 75% of its agricultural land

2,000 dunums of Beit Sahur's olive groves are only accessible during the

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August



Tulkarem, Qalqiya & Jenin: Denied livelihood in the Green Triangle

#### August:

#### Tulkarem, Qalqiya & Jenin:

Denied livelihood in the Green Triangle (9)

ulkarem, Qalqilya and Ienin located in the northern West Bank are known for being the green triangle. The area is famous for its groundwater resources and agricultural land which produces olives, fruits, vegetables and grain crops. These districts are trading and commercial centres for goods and products in the northern West Bank villages and cities.

The Apartheid Wall's first phase was completed within the triangle area in 2003. In Tulkarem, the Apartheid Wall's route encircles district from the West along the Green Line running from 'Akkaba to Kafr Zibad. Five kilometers of the 'Wall', run along the governorate in the West and an 800-metre section of the Wall, west of Nazlat 'Isa, enclaving several communities between Wall and the Green Line. In Qalqilya, the Apartheid Wall surrounds the city by concrete

Walls and fences on three sides, joining a large number of settlements to Israel while isolating seven communities between the Wall and the Green Line. In the north of Qalqilya, the apartheid Wall runs six kilometers while in the south of Oalgilva it enclaves communities between three sides of the wall with one access and exit point to the rest of the West Bank. The constructed Wall in the south connects between four settlements and the rest of Israel while isolating a Palestinian community. In Jenin, the Apartheid Wall borders the whole governorate and parts of Tubas. In the north, the Wall runs along the green line without isolating any Palestinian communities. However, communities in the east have lands isolated behind the Apartheid Wall. In the west, the Apartheid Wall runs deep inside the city isolating seven communities creating the largest

seam zone in the West Bank; the Barta'a enclave.

The Apartheid Wall has devastated the agricultural economy within the triangle area by isolating rich agricultural land and water resources from farmers in closed areas. It has severed inhabitants' living conditions limiting access to those who own or worked in lands currently isolated by the Apartheid Wall through permit and gate restrictions and to workers who worked in Israel. Also in commercial centers, traders have stopped buying from villages and farmers in the green triangle and turned instead to cities like Nablus. Most of the inhabitants have shifted their activities to mainly agriculture, as businesses require higher capital. The movement restrictions on the enclaved communities have prevented them from accessing basic services such as health, education and other services

#### In the Green Triangle:

- 7 communities in closed areas have no access to local primary health care and only 1 community has access to 24-hour emergency healthcare
- 9 communities in closed areas in closed areas reported that expectant mothers leave the closed area weeks before delivery to ensure access to proper care in the northern West Bank
- 29 communities representing 1,200 households reported that they left their households because of the Apartheid Wall
- 36 communities representing 1,100 individuals reported that heads of households now seek employment elsewhere in the West Bank

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#### Jenin:

- In Bardala, Jalbun and Fuggaa lands have been isolated behind the Apartheid Wall where they traditionally planted olives, grain crops and grazed land
- Barta'a enclave is the largest seam zone in the West Bank
- Ya'bad and 'Anin have olive trees isolated in the enclave between the

Apartheid Wall and the Green Line

- Herding communities have lost access to their grazing lands
- In 'Anin 8,000 olive and other trees isolated by the Barrier, only 70 out of 3,700 of the population have permits to access land as of May 2009

In Ya'bad 10,000 olive trees are isolated inside the Barta'a enclave

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Friday الجمعة 13	Tulkarem Facts & Figures:

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In November 2009 Israel's Apartheid Wall in Tulkarem disrupted natural drainage patterns in the area when heavy rain flooded the area. Traditionally, rain would have rolled down Tulkarem's hill, however, due to the presence of the 8 meters high concrete 'Wall' the water flooded the area destroying crops and flooding the area.





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Friday الجمعة	Qalqilya Facts & Figures: Settlements/outposts:8/3

Apartheid Wall Length: 100 Km

20 Kilometers at widest barrier point 8 communities inside closed area

4% on Green Line 96% inside the West Bank

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Jayyus, located in Qalqilya, is an agricultural community of 3,500 inhabitants. It previously exported its agricultural produce to Israel and to the Arab world and to local markets. Due to the Apartheid Wall and the movement restrictions, the village became dependent on agriculture. The construction of the Apartheid Wall has resulted in the uprooting of 4,000 olive and citrus trees. The route of the Apartheid Wall in Jayyus snakes into the village deviating 6 KM from

the Green Line. Approximately, 8,600 dunums have been cut off by the Apartheid Wall which includes 50,000 fruit and olive trees, all of the greenhouses and the six groundwater wells which are used for irrigation. This has severly affected hundreds of families livelihood and freedom of movement leading to a 70% in unemployment, dismantling 100 greenhouses and converting 500 dunums of the villages land from citrus trees to grains.

### Qalqilya:

- In Jayyus and Falamya, north of Qalqilya, the Apartheid Wall controls four groundwater wells.
- In Habla and Ras 'Atiya villages, south of Qalqilya, communities are enclaved between three sides of the wall with one access and exit point to the rest of the West Bank.
- In 'Azzun 'Atma, south of Qalqilya nine houses in the village are cut off from the rest of the community
- In Qaffin, 12,000 olive trees are isolated behind the 'Wall'
- Two checkpoints into the city are staffed permanently. Soldiers at checkpoints register most people entering Qalqilya and conduct car and luggage searches on a random basis, resulting in queues from 10 to 30 minutes. Palestinians with Israeli citizenship must park outside the city and enter on foot.
- The chamber of commerce estimates that approximately 750 of the 5,000 establishments operating in Qalqilya governorate have shut down since July 2007.





## **Salfit:**

From Agricultural Heaven to Industrial Ghetto

#### Salfit:

From Agricultural Heaven to Industrial Ghetto (10)

Calfit occupies a strategic location, linking the northern West Bank with the central Ramallah-Jerusalem area. Salfit has been known for being the bread basket of Palestine. Characterized by its rich groundwater resources and agricultural land, it is the top producer of olive oil, grapes, figs and citrus fruits. Previously an agricultural heaven, today's Salfit's rural character is undermined by the Israeli associated regime of settlements, roads and tunnels. Salfit's agricultural land has been confiscated in order to expand the Apartheid's Wall associated regime. In Salfit, there are two major settlement blocks knows as the Ariel 'Finger' and the Qedumim 'Finger' dissecting the district into three disconnected pockets; north, south and west with communities surrounded on three sides in

Biddya and four sides in Az Zawiya by the Apartheid Wall

The presence of industrial zones in Salfit and the settlements have turned Salfit from an agricultural heaven to an industrial ghetto. Both the industrial zones and settlements discharge untreated waste water into Palestinians lands and villages have contributed to pollution of the underground water and agricultural land in the area affecting crops and water used for drinking and irrigation.

#### Impact of the Apartheid Wall:

Constrained access to land, water resources and markets negatively affecting the agricultural economy.

Lack of access in villages to basic and essential services leading to rapid urban expansion and environmental destruction.

House demolitions, restricted movement, pollution and inability to sustain livelihoods.

Formerly exporting food and now recipient of food aid.

27 % of households suffer from food insecurity

7 % were deemed at risk of food insecurity in 2006

## In Salfit

12% of its land has been confiscated to build:

13 residential settlements

2 industrial zones

1 Military base

1 quarry

Additional 10% of the land has been declared as a fire zone

50% of Salfit's land will be encompassed on the Israeli side of the Apartheid Wall due to the construction of the Ariel 'Finger and a portion of the Qedumim 'Finger'







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Wednesday الأربعاء	1
Thursday الخميس	2
Friday الجمعة	3

#### Salfit Facts & Figures:

Settlements/outpost: 15/7
Apartheid Wall Length: 89 Km
0% on the Green Line
100% inside West Bank
22 Kilometers at widest point
3 communities inside closed area
6 Gates

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الثلاثاء Tuesday	7
الأربعاء Wednesday	8
	International Literacy Day
Thursday الخميس	9

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Settlers have been given some  $25,\!000 \text{ dunums as compared to the} \\ 13,\!942 \text{ allocated to the indigenous} \\ \text{Palestinian population}$ 

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	International Day of Peace
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	2nd Palestinian Intifada-2000
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الأربعاء Wednesday	29
Thursday الخميس	30
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## October



## Gaza Strip: A Forgotten Wall

#### October:

#### Gaza Strip: A Forgotten Wall (11)

aza Strip is located in the south of historical Palestine and is separated from the West Bank. It harbors around approximately 1.5 million Palestinians. It is known for being an old seaport and was the Palestinian Authority's first headquarter following the Oslo Peace Process. The Apartheid Wall in Gaza Strip is similar to the one that is currently being constructed in the West Bank and in and around east Jerusalem. It was built in 1994 and completed in 1996 following the Peace Process under the Labor government headed by Yitzhak Rabin. The Apartheid Wall encircles Gaza Strip from the north and south bordering with Israel and Egypt respectively. In the north it is in the shape of a wire fence with posts, sensors and buffer zones, and in the south it made of concrete and steel walls. In 2005, a concrete wall over eight meters high including sensors was constructed along the borders with Egypt in order to curb tunnel smuggling.

The Apartheid Wall is less controversial because it is constructed parallel to the 1949 Armistice line. However, a 'buffer zone' known as the Philadelphi Corridor was created extending along northern and eastern Gaza bordering with Israel and bordering with Egypt in the south. The buffer zone is a military no-go area for Palestinians. It was initially 50 meters wide when it was first created, however, following the Intifada in 2001 the area increased to 150 meters wide. In May 2009, the area was extended to 300 meters. It stretches up to 2 kilometers at its widest point in North Gaza

Crossings on the wall such as the Rafah, Erez and Karmi

crossings have experienced long periods of closure due to the Israeli occupation. Israel imposed a siege on Gaza in 2006 after Hamas won the Palestinian Legislative Elections. Since then Gaza Strip has been living under an ongoing siege with very restricted access to the rest of the world. Cargo crossing points are rarely opened in order to allow access of humanitarian assistance to the strip. On the other hand, the Rafah border has been opened for short intervals in order to allow students studying abroad, patients and piligrims to exit the Gaza Strip.

#### **Buffer Zone Impact:**

- 70% of households living close to the buffer zone have been displaced temporarily or permanently at least once
- 30%-40% of Gaza's agricultural land and water wells have been encompassed by the buffer zone
- 50% of families have lost their source of income and livelihood
- Access restrictions have been imposed on the buffer zone strangling Palestinians access to work, education, health services, water and sanitation services.

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الأربعاء Wednesday	6
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	Gaza Strip Facts & Figures:
	Settlements and outposts: 0 Apartheid Wall Length: 52 km
	on green line Gates: 3

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Friday الجمعة 15-Oct - 15-Nov Palestinian Olive Harvest	In Gaza Strip, the Apartheid Wall and the
	imposed siege have sealed  Gaza completely from the

rest of the world

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	تشرين أول / October

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Thursday الْخميس	28
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Art on the Apartheid Wall

#### Art on the Apartheid Wall (12)

t the sight of the Apartheid Wall, one is confronted by ugly cement blocks painted with graffiti and written messages by locals, tourists and famous artists from world. around the These graffiti paintings and written messages sparked the controversy on whether they served to beautify and naturalize the Wall. The debate on whether the provocative surreal graffiti paintings serve to depict the tragic Palestinian suffering or contribute to the naturalization of the 'Wall' to this day remains unresolved.

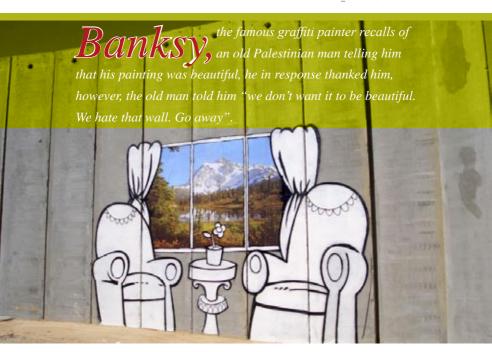
Graffiti art has always been perceived as a form of rebellious art. Proponents of the graffiti on the 'Wall' argue that the wall is used as a canvas to raise awareness on the Palestinian suffering and to express opposition to the Wall. Opponents, on the other hand, ques-

tion the extent to which these paintings reveal the realities of the Palestinian plight and the impact of such paintings in raising awareness. In addition artists have been accused of using such graffiti as publicity stunts.

Several joint art workshops were conducted in the Occupied Palestinian Territory where artists collaborated together in exhibitions and 'Wall' paintings conveying the power of art and imagery in raising awareness and voicing their dissent to the Israeli occupation. This powerful imagery of art resistance has been adopted by local Palestinians as a form of resistance in order to reflect their opposition to the Apartheid Wall.



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الأربعاء Wednesday	
Thursday الخميس	4
Friday الجمعة	The segregation Wall is a disgraceThe possibility I find exciting is that you could turn the world's most invasive and degrading structure into the world's longest gallery of free speech and bad art.

Sunday الأحيد 7-16 Week Against the Apartheid  7-16 Week Against the Apartheid  Monday الأثنين November / الأثنين Reminders    Sat. 6   13   20   27		International Day for Preventin the Exploitation of the Environn of the Environment in War and
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الثلاثاء Tuesday	9
	International Day Against the Wall- Destruction of the Berlii Wall-1989
Wednesday الأربعاء	10
Thursday الخميس	11
	Death of Palestinian President Yasser Arafat-200
Friday الجمعة	2
	Messages written on the 'Wall' include love messages, birthday greetings, marriage proposals, slogans, solidarity messages and appeals to the internationa community.

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	International Day of Tolerance
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الخميس Thursday	18
Friday الجمعة	9 «These Walls that separate
الجهعه	peoples- Uncles from aunts, fathers from sons, relatives, people
	from their work and just from the possibility to live a normal life- history tells us [those Walls] never
	survive. And this one will never survive here.» Roger Waters, Walled Horizons, OCHA

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Wednesday الأربعاء	24
Thursday الخميس	25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women
Friday الجمعة 26	«These Walls, wherever they are are always a manifestation of the same thing, which is the need of one people to control another people so this wall is not different than the wall in Berlin or the wall across the street in Warsaw Ghetto in 1943 or the wall around the bleak township

in South Africa» Roger Waters, Haaretz

Saturday السبت	27
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	- International day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People - UN Resolution 181-1947
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Resistance to the Apartheid Wall

#### Resistance to the Apartheid Wall (13)

In resistance to the Apartheid Wall. Palestinians formed the grassroots Anti-Apartheid Wall Campaign. The campaign became the national grassroots movement organizing resistance against the Apartheid Wall. Initially, the campaign was established in October 2002 as an initiative from the office of the Palestinian Environmental NGOs Network (PENGON). However, it later became a coalition between Palestinian NGOs and popular committees aiming at mobilizing and coordinating efforts to dismantle the Apartheid Wall and resist the Israeli occupation. The campaign's mission is to act as the voice of the communities affected by the Wall, mobilize and coordinate nationally and join the global struggle against colonization. war and racism.

Two popular committees out of the 54 in resistance to the 'Wall' and settlements building became the model for other popular committees to follow. In defiance to the construction of the 'Wall' LPCs in two villages: Nil'in and Bil'in started organizing peaceful demonstrations activities and against the Israeli bulldozers that were confiscating the villages' land and uprooting olive trees. Both villages became the symbol of popular struggle against the Apartheid Wall and a symbol of international solidarity in Palestine. Although the popular committees have adopted non-violent means of protest and peaceful activities as their resistance strategy. the Israeli occupation has systematically used force against the protesters by firing tear gas, arresting protesters and imposing curfews at night in the villages. The confrontation between the protesters and the Israeli occupation has cost the protestors -Palestinians. Internationals and Israelis- many injuries and some lives.

### The Anti-Apartheid Wall Campaign Activities:

- Coordinates 54 local popular committees (LPCs) that were established in areas affected and is expected to be affected by the construction of the Wall.
- Supports people's steadfastness in their lands
- Raises awareness on the international level about the Apartheid Wall and its impact on Palestinian towns and villages
- Coordinates with international organizations
- Mobilizes solidarity for communities affected by the 'Wall'
- Calls for international boycott, divestment, and sanctions against Israel.

Another form of resistance to the construction of the Apartheid Wall and its associated regime was the establishment of the Boycott Divestment and Sanctions (BDS) movement on July 9

2005. The movement was established one year after the ICJ's advisory opinion on the illegality of the construction of the 'Wall'. The ICJ's rule was a turning point to the movement that consolidated the BDS's movement legitimacy in its call for international boycott, divestment and sanctions initiatives against Israel. The BDS movement draws its inspiration from the BDS campaign that was imposed on the Apartheid regime in South Africa. The BDS includes an economic, academic, cultural and sports boycott of Israel. organizations for BDS, the Apartheid Wall and its associated regime are a manifestation of Israel's apartheid regime in the OPT.





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In Bil'in the local popular committee took legal action against the Israeli occupation by filing a complaint at the Israeli High Court demanding a halt to the construction of the Apartheid Wall and an alteration to the route of the Wall. The Israeli High Court concluded that the route in Bil'in was illegal thus ordered the State to present a new route upholding the principles of the ruling.

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- Christmas Eve - Israel launches Operation Cast Lead in Gaza Strip killing over 1,400-2009 "The end of apartheid stands as one of the crowning accomplishments of the past century, but we would not have succeeded without the help of international pressure-in particular the divestment movement of the 1980s. Over the past six months, a similar movement has taken shape, this time aiming at an end to the Israeli occupation."

Desmund Tutu of South Africa





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# Palestine in Figures

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### Area:

Land area: 26,323 Km2

Palestinian Territories: 6,020 Km2

West Bank: 5,655 Km2, 130 Km long, 40-65

Km in width

Gaza Strip: 365 Km2, 45 Km long and 5-12

Km in width

Water area: 438 Km

Green Line: approx. 320 Km

### Population and Demography (2007)

Palestinian Territory: 3,957,693

West Bank: 2,483,786 Gaza Strip: 1,473,907

Jerusalem Governorate: 411,885

Growth Rate: 3.2%

Annual Growth Rate: 2.6%

Population by Sex: Male:1,973,504

Female:1,916,023

Fertility rate (2007): 4.6% Average Household Size: Palestinian Territory: 5.8%

West Bank: 5.5% Gaza Strip: 6.5%

### Land Use and Agriculture:

Palestinian Territory (PT) Area: 6,020

Area of PT by Type of Use

Agricultural Land (2007): 24.9%

Forest and Wooden Land (2007): 1.6% Palestinian Built-up Land (2006):6.6%

Area of built-up land in Israeli Settlements of

the total area of West Bank (2006): 3.3% Cultivated Area (2006-2007): 1,834.9

### Education (2007/2008)

Illiteracy rate for persons 15 years and over (2007):5.9%

Illiteracy rate for persons 15-29 years

(2007): 0.9%

No. of Schools: 2,430

No. of School Teachers: 43,556 No. of School Students: 1,097,957

Drop-out rate (Schools 2005/2006): 1.2% Repetition rate (Schools 2005/2006): 3.0%

### Health:

No. of hospitals (2008): 76

Doctors per 1000 population (2008): 1.9 Nurses per 1000 population (2007): 2.7 Beds per 1000 population (2007): 1.3

# Living standards and Humanitarian Aid (2006)

Percentage of Households below poverty

line: 57.3%

Number of individuals below poverty

line: 2,303,840

Percentage of Households that indicated their need of assistance (2005): 67.0% Average Monthly per capita Expenditure in the Palestinian Territory (2007): 95.4

# Labor Force (1st quarter of 2009)

Labor Force participation rate: Males: 66 9% Females: 15 4%

Unemployment rate in the Palestinian territory: Males: 25.0% Females: 23.8% Unemployment rate in the West Bank:

Males: 20.1% Females: 16.8%

Unemployment rate in Gaza Strip: Males:

36.6% Females: 39.0%

Average net daily wage for employees working in PT: Males: \$19.8

Females:\$17.9

Child Labor (10-17 years): Males: 6.4%

Females: 1.0%

Percentage of graduates of high education and vocational training of persons aged 15

years and over (End 2005): 14.5%

Percentage of graduates of high education and vocational training who participated in labor force (End 2005): 83,4%

Unemployment rate of graduates of high education and vocational training (End

2005): 25.4%

### **Economics:**

GDP: 1.289.9

Imports of Goods: 3,141.3 Exports of Goods: 513.0

Number of Establishments in Operation in Private Sector and Non Governmental Organization Sector by Economic Activity (2008):

Agriculture: 6.977

Mining and Quarrying: 295 Manufacturing: 15,229

Electricity and Water Supply: 464

Construction: 590

Wholesale and Retail and Repairs: 59,299 Transportation, storage and communica-

tion: 1,175

Hotels and Restaurants: 4,641 Financial Intermediation: 844

Real Estate, Rental and Business Activi-

ties: 4,285

Education: 2,377

Health and Social work: 4,248

Other community, Social and Personal

Services: 9,052

### **Environment:**

Available quantities of water (2007-mcm):308.7 Connected households to wastewater network (2006): 45.5%

# Housing Conditions (2008):

Average number of rooms in housing

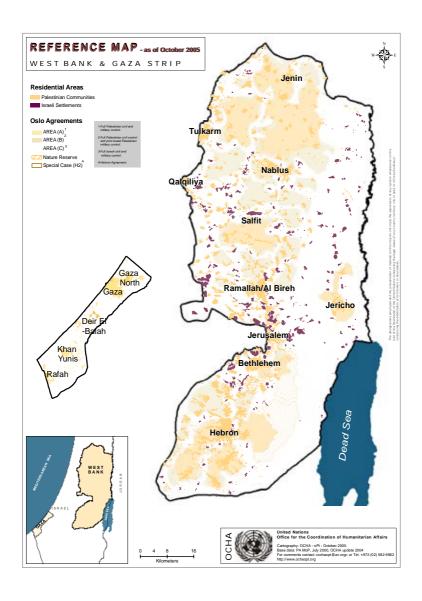
units: 3.6

Average number of persons per room: 1.7

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