Gaza: Fears for Newborns at Al-Aqsa Hospital as War Nears Day 100

Doctors at Al-Aqsa Hospital in central Gaza Strip are worried that the lives of newborns and patients are at risk due to another power outage in the enclave.

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A power blackout across the Gaza Strip is likely to put the lives of newborns and medical patients at risk, while Israel continues to strike all corners of the territory repeatedly as the war enters its 99th day.

> "This situation is threatening the lives of many patients and newborns," one doctor in Deir al-Balah's Al-Aqsa Hospital told Qatar's *Al Jazeera*.

> "We're trying to work with what we have but we will have to stop working completely because we don't have any electricity."

The territory is no stranger to Israeli-imposed telecommunications and power outages, which have occurred frequently as part of Tel Aviv's siege and war on Gaza.

Doctors said that they were trying to treat patients and tend to newborn babies with what they have, with some babies already suffering from malnutrition.

The Palestinian Red Crescent posted that the disruption was increasing the challenges in "reaching the wounded and injured promptly".

Israeli strikes across Gaza rained overnight and into Saturday morning, with dozens of casualties reported.

Witnesses reported Israeli bombardment of Gaza in the early morning on Saturday, with

strikes and shelling hitting areas between Gaza's southern cities of Khan Younis and Rafah, crowded with displaced people who have fled from the north.

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