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## Safety, security and access incidents

Incidents of threats and violence in refugee and IDP settings.

### Africa

#### *Burkina Faso*

**28 March 2024:** In Goubre village, Senguenega department, Yatenga province, a woman and a girl were injured when JNIM militants fired shots at an IDP camp. After the incident, Burkinabe forces arrested eight civilians suspected of being JNIM militants. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

#### *Chad*

**11 March 2024:** In Ibtarki Refugee Camp, Eastern Chad, a Sudanese child was killed following gunfire during violent clashes within the camp. Another refugee sustained injuries from strayed bullets. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga](#)

#### *Democratic Republic of Congo*

**07 March 2024:** In Kayembe Refugee Camp, Nyiragongo territory, North Kivu province, a 12-year-old girl was raped by a suspected military officer. The victim was taken to a local health facility whilst the perpetrator escaped. **Source:** [La Prunelle](#)

#### *Nigeria*

**03 March 2024:** In Gamborun town, Ngala LGA, Borno state, 319 IDPs, mostly women and children aged between 12 and 14, left the International Secondary School Camp at dawn in search of firewood in Garal village, where they were ambushed and kidnapped by two armed perpetrator, who forcibly took them to Wulge village. Three of the victims managed to escape. **Source:** [Zagazola](#)

#### *Sudan*

**07 March 2024:** In Abu Shouk IDP Camp, El Fasher city, North Darfur state, four people were killed and 16 injured by artillery shells fired during fighting between the RSF and SAF. **Source:** [Dabanga Sudan](#)

**10 March 2024:** In Abu Shouk IDP Camp, El Fasher city, North Darfur state, four people were killed and four children injured when shells landed on Salam Khamsa School and nearby houses during clashes between the RSF and SAF. Two houses were destroyed. **Source:** [Dabanga Sudan](#)

**18 March 2024:** In Abu Shouk Camp, El Fasher city, North Darfur state, three IDPs were injured, and homes and buildings of the state Ministry of Animal Resources damaged by shelling during fighting between the RAF and SAF. A shell also landed in the camp's Naivasha Market. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga](#)

**As reported on 20 March 2024:** In Abuja Camp/El Salam Camp, near El Fasher city, North Darfur state, fighting took place between the RSF and SAF. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga](#)

**27 March 2024:** At a food distribution area, Ronga Tas IDP Camp, Azum locality, Central Darfur state, armed men from Arab tribes, RSF, confiscated food aid, including millet and biscuits for children, from three trucks delivered jointly by WFP and Islamic Relief Worldwide. Soldiers threatened and fired warning shots to prevent IDPs from accessing the food. The RSF distributed some of the aid to its affiliates in the neighbouring Sharq Alneel IDP Camp, controlled by an RSF Brigadier. The next day, the looted food was brought to Mornie Market for sale. **Source:** [DNHR](#)

### **Tanzania**

**02 March 2024:** In Nduta Refugee Camp, Nyaviumbu area, Murungu council, Muhambwe constituency, Kibondo district, Kigoma region, a Burundian male refugee was injured when the camp was raided by armed men. **Source:** [The African Public Radio](#)

## **Asia**

### **Bangladesh**

**03 March 2024:** Near A-Block, Camp 17 and 4-Extension Rohingya Camp, Ukhia Rohingya Camp, Ukhia upazila, Cox's Bazar district, Chittagong division, Armed Police Battalion members arrested a 32-year-old male Arakan Rohingya Salvation Army member and reportedly seized weapons. **Source:** [New Age](#)

### **Myanmar**

**01-18 March 2024:** In Myebon township, Mrauk-U district, Rakhine state, junta airstrikes destroyed schools and homes. **Source:** [Radio Free Asia](#)

**07 March 2024:** In Ann Thar village, Minbya township, Mrauk-U district, Rakhine state, a junta airstrike destroyed an elementary school. **Source:** [Radio Free Asia](#)

**As reported on 28 March 2024:** In an undisclosed location, Magway region, repeated shelling and arson attacks on schools by junta forces forced the relocation of 175 students to a monastery. **Source:** [Radio Free Asia](#)

## **Middle East and North Africa**

### **Libya**

**02 March 2024:** 70km from the Libyan coast, during a rescue mission by the SOS Humanity NGO, armed Libyan coast guards fire live ammunition towards three boats overcrowded with asylum seekers. The coast guards fire a second round of live ammunition at the migrants who jumped in the sea. One person drowned and the humanitarian workers were forced to leave the area. **Source:** [Info Migrants](#)

### **Occupied Palestinian Territories**

Insecurity Insight identified at least 558 incidents that took place at refugee camps in the occupied Palestinian territories (oPt) between 07 October 2023 and 28 February. In the Gaza Strip, 259 of the reported 357 incidents documented Israeli forces using explosive weapons damaging refugee camps. In the West Bank and East Jerusalem where 201 incidents were recorded, refugee camps were raided by Israeli forces at least 100 times. Insecurity Insight calls for independent investigations and for all conflict parties to uphold international humanitarian law. Data source: [Insecurity Insight](#) on [HDX](#).

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### **Syrian Arab Republic**

**As reported on 14 March 2024:** In Tarhin IDP Camp, Aleppo governorate, members of the Ahrar Al-Sharqiyah faction opened heavy machine gun fire on the camp. Violent clashes erupted inside the camp between the said faction and the Ahrar Al-Shamamid amid a state of panic among inhabitants. **Source:** [SOHR](#)

**18 March 2024:** In Al-Hol Camp, the Egyptian wife of an Islamic State commander and her children went missing and potentially smuggled out after visiting the Syrian Red Crescent Hospital and the Red Cross clinic. **Source:** [SOHR](#)

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<sup>1</sup> Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED) [database attribution policy](#). Accessed 07 April 2024.

