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# A Brief Report on the Gaza Municipality's Reconstruction Plans for Damaged Municipal Facilities Following the Israeli Aggression

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## Introduction

In light of the 2023-2024 attacks on Gaza City, the city's infrastructure and both public and private facilities sustained severe damage. The Municipality of Gaza (MoGaza) has drafted this report to highlight the critical immediate and strategic needs that require urgent intervention to ensure a minimum level of essential services for residents, while also building a strategic vision to enhance resilience and sustainability for a better future. This report aims to establish a solid foundation for reconstruction and urban development projects, transforming the devastation into an opportunity to rebuild the city in a modern and more sustainable way.



## 1. Emergency Needs

In this section, we outline the essential needs to ensure the continuation of key municipal services. Due to the extensive destruction caused by the war to infrastructure, immediate resources are necessary to operate essential facilities such as water, sanitation, and hygiene networks. These needs include:

- **Ceasefire:** Ending atrocities and attacks, ensuring the return of residents, and allowing unrestricted entry of aid.
- **Energy and Fuel:** Resuming the supply of cooking gas and providing 7,000 liters of diesel per day to operate municipal services, including restoring electricity supplies and covering municipal running costs.
- **Water:** Providing necessary materials for the maintenance and resumption of water pumping, maintaining the desalination plant, and adding additional desalination stations.
- **Sanitation:** Providing pipes, manholes, and pumps for the maintenance and operation of sewage networks.
- **Vehicles and Machinery:** Supplying transport vehicles, trucks, excavators, and bulldozers to support municipal operations.

## 2. Strategic Needs

This section presents our vision for the comprehensive and sustainable reconstruction and development of the city, aligned with MoGaza's goal of making Gaza a vibrant and modern city by 2030. This vision includes:

- **Buildings and Housing:** Rapid reconstruction of buildings and homes using modern materials, and improving urban infrastructure in affected neighborhoods.
- **Roads:** Reconstructing roads and implementing a new urban design to reduce congestion and provide public transportation, pedestrian pathways, and bicycle lanes.
- **Public Transportation:** Establishing a modern transportation network powered by clean energy to reduce congestion and pollution.
- **Infrastructure:** Maintaining and upgrading infrastructure networks, including water and sewage systems.
- **Coastal Development:** Developing tourist facilities and introducing diverse services for residents and visitors.
- **Old City:** Reconstructing historical buildings and enhancing historical areas as tourist attractions.



### 3. Cultural, Recreational, and Sports Sectors

The future vision includes enhancing Gaza's cultural and recreational aspects to reflect its civilizational identity and meet community needs.

- **Reconstruction of Cultural Centers:** Providing a suitable environment to support arts and culture, which strengthens Gaza's cultural position and connects it to global cultural networks.
- **Establishment and Development of Parks, Recreational, and Sports Centers:** Providing green spaces and diverse recreational and sports facilities for all age groups, contributing to an improved quality of life.



#### 4. Required Cooperation from the International Community and Partners

To achieve Gaza's reconstruction vision and build a sustainable and modern city, effective and comprehensive support from the international community and local and regional partners is essential. This support requires coordinated funding and implementation of emergency and strategic projects, which are fundamental to the city's future and residents' safety. Key steps and required support from the international community and partners include:

##### 1. Financial and Logistical Support for Reconstruction

- **Funding for Emergency Relief Projects:** Including fuel supplies and essential resources and costs for operating basic services like water, sanitation, and waste management.
- **Providing Equipment:** Securing necessary equipment for rehabilitating infrastructure networks, including pumps, generators, trucks, and field vehicles.
- **Funding Operational Costs for Municipalities:** Supporting municipalities in covering operational expenses and employee salaries.
- **Funding for City Reconstruction and Development:** Supporting projects for modern, sustainable urban planning and providing necessary funding to rebuild municipal buildings, historic buildings, and destroyed homes, especially in heavily damaged areas. Focus on building more resilient communities using modern materials and construction techniques, in addition to infrastructure networks.

## 2. Capacity Building and Knowledge Exchange

- **Developing Local Technical Capacities:** Providing training programs for engineers and technicians in reconstruction and infrastructure development, along with transferring international expertise and best practices.
- **Training for Medical and Health Workers:** Deploying medical teams and supporting capacity-building programs for health and community workers to deliver healthcare services to affected residents and improve city health services.
- **Establishing Academic and Technical Partnerships:** Collaborating with universities and research institutions to develop innovative solutions for infrastructure and renewable energy, leveraging modern technologies in reconstruction.

## 3. Support for Green Infrastructure and Sustainable Development

- **Funding Renewable Energy Projects:** Supporting the development of alternative energy systems, such as solar and wind power.
- **Rehabilitating Damaged Agricultural Areas:** Providing financial and technical support to replant affected lands and develop innovative irrigation systems that contribute to the city's food security.
- **Encouraging Eco-Friendly Transportation Solutions:** Supporting clean and integrated public transportation projects to reduce environmental pollution and promote sustainable mobility, including modern metro systems.



## Conclusion

Through this report, The Municipality of Gaza aims to outline the necessary steps for a comprehensive and balanced city reconstruction. Despite the significant challenges facing the city, this vision represents a first step toward strengthening residents' resilience and providing comprehensive services that meet their current and future needs. These efforts mark the beginning of a new phase in which the municipality collaborates with all local and international stakeholders to build a more vibrant and sustainable city, ensuring a dignified life for its residents.



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