

Israel Razes Palestinian Bedouin Village for ‘192nd’ Time, Activist Says

Residents of Al-Araqib are committed to reconstructing their homes, a local activist told media.

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Israel has demolished a [Palestinian Bedouin](#) village for the 192nd time in just over a decade, a local activist has told media.

[Al-Araqib](#) located in the [Negev or Naqab desert](#), close to [Beersheba city](#), was razed this latest time on Thursday, Aziz Al-Touri, member of the Committee for the Defence of Al-Aqarib told *Anadolu Agency*.

Israeli security stopped Palestinians from going into the area to observe what happened, Al-Touri said.

Locals are committed to reconstructing the village, he added.

There were 22 families living in Al-Araqib, in houses made from materials including plastic and wood.

Israel initially demolished homes at the site over a decade ago, in 2010.

Tel Aviv alleges the area is “state land”.

However, according to Israeli non-profit Zochrot, which focuses on the legacy of the Nakba, construction in the area initially occurred under the Ottoman Empire and locals bought the grounds.

Israel has routinely dispossessed [Palestinian Bedouins](#), who often face expulsion and home demolition.

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