Israeli man seriously wounded in terror stabbing in West Bank village, IDF says

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A 55-year-old Israeli man was seriously wounded in a stabbing attack Tuesday afternoon in a northeastern West Bank village, the military and medics said.

According to the Rescuers Without Borders emergency service, the man was stabbed after he exited a store in al-Funduq, a Palestinian village near the settlement of Kdumim.

The man, who was apparently shopping in the area, then reached his car and drove off to a nearby junction.

The Magen David Adom ambulance service said its medics treated the victim at the nearby junction. He was taken to the Sheba Medical Center in Ramat Gan, where he was listed in moderate-serious condition, according to the hospital.

The alleged Palestinian stabber was arrested following a brief manhunt in the area, according to the Israel Defense Forces, describing the incident as a terror attack.

The IDF said the suspect was found following insensitive scans and intelligence received from the Shin Bet security agency.

In a separate incident Tuesday night, a Palestinian teenager armed with a knife was arrested at a checkpoint near Jerusalem.

According to police, the 16-year-old carrying a plastic bag aroused the suspicion of officers guarding the Qalandiya checkpoint, and they asked him to halt. The suspect then attempted to flee back to the West Bank, but was arrested and was found to be carrying a knife.

Police said following an initial interrogation, the teenager sought to commit a stabbing attack. He was transferred to the Shin Bet security agency for further questioning.

The incidents came amid heightened tensions in the West Bank.

Early Tuesday morning, Israeli troops killed five Palestinian gunmen in the West Bank city of Nablus in [a raid](https://www.timesofisrael.com/idf-says-lions-den-bomb-factory-destroyed-setting-off-heavy-fighting-in-nablus/) against the Lion’s Den terror group.

In recent months, Palestinian gunmen — mostly members of Lion’s Den — have repeatedly targeted military posts, troops operating along the West Bank security barrier, Israeli settlements and civilians on the roads.

An anti-terror offensive launched earlier this year and focused on the northern West Bank has netted more than 2,000 arrests in near-nightly raids.

It has also left over 120 Palestinians dead, many of them — but not all — while carrying out attacks or during clashes with security forces.

The IDF’s anti-terror offensive in the West Bank was launched following a series of Palestinian attacks that killed 19 people earlier this year.

Another Israeli was killed in a suspected attack last month, and four soldiers have been killed in the West Bank in attacks and during the arrest operations.