

## **Palestinian City and Civic Culture: Civic Siege and Absence of City**

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This article is tackling an important issues in the Palestinian context, regarding to the significance of the city as incubator of civic culture and its style of life. For achieving the object of this paper, the researcher rely on historical, sociological, and political experiences that the Palestinian Society has been undergoing over a period of 62 years, focusing on spatial demolition policies that adopted by Israeli Occupation, starting with the Judization of the Palestinian cities such as Jerusalem and Hebron, which aiming for emptying them of its Palestinian residents. This colonialist politics was expressed by policies of : siege, curfew all year long, confiscation of some Palestinian houses, schools, and lands, closure of the central market adjacent to the Abraham Mosque, state of isolating of the cities, deprivation of Palestinians of their minimum civil, political, cultural and national rights. At the same time coincide with obstruction the Palestinian from having any development and expansion of central cities. And so prevented Palestinians from undergoing a state of cultural and social integration. the result of this policies is creating state of localism loyalties, conservative and traditional trends within Palestinian cities that contradicted with civic model. The extremely model of this polices applied on Hebron city that is experiencing state of conflict on identity of the city between the Israelis and Palestinian.

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