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Coronavirus in Palestine: Confronting the Vulnerability of Indigenous Bodies

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The COVID-19 pandemic has reached Palestine, and in doing so has brought to the surface latent power structures that render Palestinians particularly exposed to the virus.

In this policy lab, Al-Shabaka speaks with analysts Yara Asi and Osama Tanous about the Palestinian health system's capacity to handle a pandemic, the myths of Gaza's exceptionalism, and the ways in which Israel's settler-colonial project has re-shaped Palestinian bodies, as well as their nutrition and surrounding environments, to render them most vulnerable to health crises such as this.

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