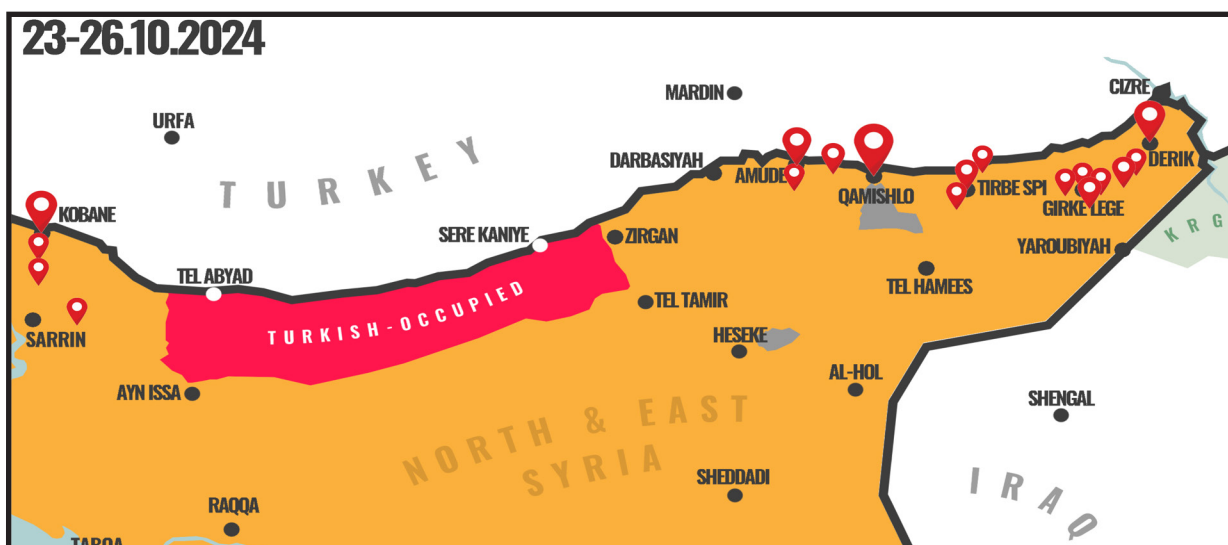


## ONGOING TURKISH AIRSTRIKES ON NORTH AND EAST SYRIA TARGET ELECTRICITY, OIL, AND OTHER CIVILIAN INFRASTRUCTURE.

26.10.2024

### KEY POINTS

- Turkey has attacked over 50 locations across NES since the night of October 23, with 8 confirmed attacks on October 26.
- The number of fatalities remains 14, while the number of injured civilians has risen to 33.
- The attacks continued to target civilian infrastructure including construction companies, an oil field, a dairy factory and an Asayish center.
- Demonstrations against the latest attacks occurred across NES.
- Mazloun Abdi, chief commander of the SDF, has denied Turkey's claims that the perpetrators of the Ankara October 23 attack entered through Syrian territory.
- Rojava Information Center is available to provide news and comments from the ground, as well as photos and videos from the destroyed sites, and to connect with leaders, political representatives and humanitarian workers.



Map of Turkish airstrikes on NES from October 23 to October 26

## BACKGROUND

Turkey has been conducting periodic yet destructive airstrike campaigns since 2019, re-striking energy infrastructure already hit before as well as hitting new locations. Earlier this year, in January, Turkish airstrikes targeted over 30 locations. These included Zarba, Tafla, Kobane, and Amude power stations, Odeh oil field and Suwaydiyah gas and electricity station - all of which were struck again now.

In the December 23-25 'Christmas' airstrikes in 2023, Saida power station in Tirbespi as well as the grain silos in Qamishlo were targeted already. Repeated strikes prevent reconstruction efforts and affect the lives of millions of people, leading to shortages of fuel during cold winter months. The strikes affect electricity, gas and water supply.

Turkey initiated the latest airstrikes following an attack in Ankara on October 23, claimed by the armed wing of the Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK). Mazloum Abdi, chief commander of the SDF, has denied Turkey's claims that the attackers entered through Syrian territory. The DAANES has issued a statement which accuses Turkey of "exporting its internal crises" and denounces "international silence" surrounding the attacks on civilian infrastructure.



*Construction company bombed by Turkish drones in Qamishlo 25.10.2024*

## LATEST

Turkey continues to carry out more airstrikes in its 4th day of attacks. A cement company was hit south of Kobane. The attacks continued in Qamishlo, hitting a construction company and an administrative building. An Internal Security Forces (Asayish) center was hit 3 times in Amude. The strike injured 8 people: reportedly, 3 Asayish members and 5 individuals who arrived to help the wounded and were hit by the 3rd strike.

The city of Derik was targeted with Turkish airstrikes again, including on food infrastructure. The Zozan dairy company was hit around 9am, leaving 3 civilians injured. The factory produces cheese and yogurt products. There was also an airstrike in the vicinity of an ISIS detention center. Additionally, an oil field was targeted.

Demonstrations against Turkey’s attacks were held in locations across NES, including in Kobane, Tel Tamir and Deir ez-Zor. Today, a protest in Manbij marched to a nearby Russian base, demanding an end to the international inaction surrounding the attacks.

## COMMENT

Ahin Sweid, co-chair of the Energy Board of the Jazira canton, tells RIC: “The goal of the attacks is to destabilize and weaken the economic situation in NES. The impact is far-reaching. Targeting power stations not only affects electricity, but also affects water supply. Water stations rely on electric pumps to operate.”

She states that 11 stations have been put out of service as a result of the attacks: 3 electric stations, 1 gas station and 7 oil stations. She adds that the locations which have lost electricity amount to 9 cities, 5 towns and 683 villages. Current estimates of the amount of damage inflicted range at over 5 million dollars. However, as Turkish airstrikes are ongoing, the total cost of repairing the damages is still unclear.

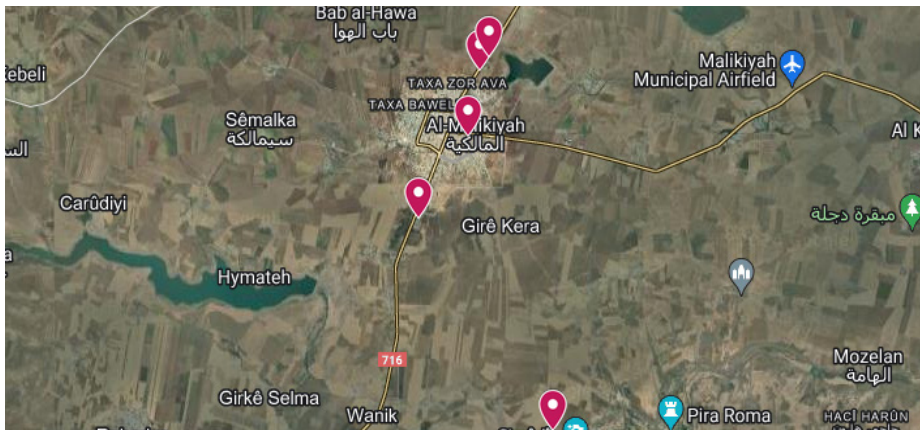
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1. Merka Mira, Derik; 2. Kobane electricity station



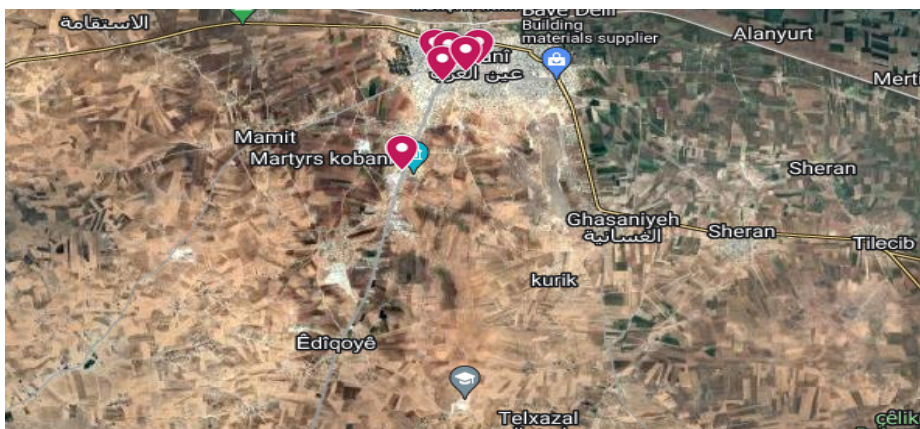
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*Turkish airstrikes on Derik 23-26.10.2024*



*Turkish airstrikes on Amude 23-26.10.2024*



*Turkish airstrikes on Kobane 23-26.10.2024*

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