On Saturday 27th February, a fire erupted in Phase 4 of Al Hol camp during the celebration of a wedding, affecting two tents that people were gathering.

At 18:30, the Kurdish Red Crescent team in the camp was informed about the incident, immediately they mobilized ambulances to the scene. As first responders, the KRC teams evacuated the injured people to the KRC medical point, where medical assessment and first aid were provided in coordination with other organizations working in the same camp.

Among the affected people, 27 of them, mostly children, had to be referred to hospitals in Al Hasaka. 24 cases were transferred to Al Hasaka National Hospital and 3 to Al Hekma Hospital, with the intervention of 2 ambulances of the KRC Hasaka Emergency Team, also supporting the National Hospital with medicines and medical supplies.

Among the referred cases, 2 died before arriving to the hospital, and 2 other died in the first 24 hours. Until 4th March other 5 people have deceased in the hospital, rising the toll to 9 deaths, 7 of which were children.

Regarding the clinical situation of the patients, currently they are receiving healthcare in both hospitals. 5 of them have a bad prognosis, while the other one is in a critical situation.

KRC helped in providing meals, clothes, sanitary equipment as well as psychological first aid to the affected people in Al Hol camp, also supporting the management and transportation of the deceased to forensic facilities.

Apart from the cases referred to the hospitals, another 7 patients are being medically followed up in their tents in the camp due to minor injuries related to the fire. Of these cases, 5 are children under six years old.