**Palestinian Localities Guidance 2017**

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**A glimpse on Classification**

This guidance is a key tool in organizing the work of census fieldwork teams, and using the codes of Palestinian localities centers in the packing process of enumeration areas. In 2007 and during the preparation stages of Census of Population, Housing and Establishment, a national committee was formed to prepare a guidance of localities.

During the ten years, there has been a big difference in the number and situations of localities, where new localities appeared and others also disappeared. Also, many small localities were annexed or amalgamated into larger localities, as well as small localities as previously were part of other larger localities to become independent localities. And as an essential step in preparing for Census of Population , Housing and Establishments 2017, a national committee was formed to lead the development of the manual on localities to incorporate any changes.

**Structural classification:**

1. The astronomical locations of the Centroid point were determined based on the topographic maps, 1/50000 according to the local coordinate network, and were then sequentially arranged according to their geographic location from north to south and from east to west.

1. Every locality was given a national sequential and ascending symbol/code consists of four digits starting with 005 , besides adding a penta serial digits among each code/ symbol of a locality and another so as to allow adding a national symbol/code for any new locality in the future .

2. Governorates of Palestine were arranged in the same manner .

3. Amalgamating symbol/ code of the governorate with locality to make the locality code consists of 6 digits to as the first and second digits from the left reflect Governorate code and digits number 3 to 6 from the left reflect national locality sequence code.

**Uses of classification:**

This guide includes all the localities show the presence of the population, regardless of their number, the total number has reached 613 localities, and shows evidence of each province of the Palestine localities names in Arabic and English, as was clarified small localities that were Affiliate to other localities, as well as the evidence shows each locality code.

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- Palestinian Localities Guidance 1997

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