
Spain Battles Record Wildfires as Thousands Evacuated



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MADRID, July 27: Spain is battling its largest recorded wildfire, with authorities reporting that blazes across central regions have burned more than 77,000 hectares and disrupted the lives of nearly 100,000 people.

The wildfire in Avila province has become the largest in the country's recorded history after scorching about 50,000 hectares, according to Spanish authorities. The hardest-hit areas include

the Madrid region, Avila, and Toledo, where thousands of residents have either been evacuated or instructed to remain indoors.

Spain's Third Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for the Ecological Transition, Sara Aagesen, said the fires have affected 46 municipalities, while another major wildfire in the eastern province of Castellon has impacted more than 16,000 people across 18 municipalities.

Thousands of firefighters, assisted by Spain's Military Emergency Unit (UME), firefighting aircraft and helicopters, continue working around the clock to contain the fast-moving blazes.

Authorities remain on high alert as emergency teams battle the fires, protect communities and monitor weather conditions that could further complicate firefighting efforts across the affected regions.