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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Dozens of Palestinian Youths Forced to Join PLA in Syria"

- **Palestinian Refugee Tortured to Death in Syrian State Jail**
- **Displaced Palestinian Families North of Syria to Obtain Protection Cards**
- **UNRWA Delegation Shows Up at ALAyedeen Camp for Palestinian Refugees in Hums**

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Victims

A Palestinian refugee taking shelter in AlSabina Camp, in Rif Dimashq, died under torture in Syrian government prisons, where he had been locked up for five years.

The refugee was kidnapped at a checkpoint pitched in Yarmouk Camp. Authorities handed over his death certificate to his family but are still withholding his body. AGPS has kept his name secret at his family's request.

AGPS documented the death of 606 Palestinian refugees under torture in Syrian government prisons, among them women and minors.

Latest Developments

Hundreds of Palestinian youths were forced to join the Palestine Liberation Army (PLA), affiliated with the Syrian government, in May. The list includes university graduates or those whose deferment of studies license expired by March 15.

The Syrian government defined April 22 as the time-limit for the recruited youth to hand over his civil IDs to the recruitment branch pending the rehabilitation of his military service.

Informed sources said batches of Palestinian youths who were forced into military conscription were spotted at Basel AlAsad School in Mesyaf, southwest of Hama.



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Shortly after the outburst of the deadly warfare, the Syrian government forced Palestinian refugees aged 18 and above to join affiliated militias for periods of at least one year and a half.



Those who refuse conscription are subjected to crackdowns, abductions and even executions. As a result, thousands fled the tension-stricken country in the hunt for a safer shelter.

AGPS kept record of the death of 277 PLA gunmen since the outbreak of Syria's warfare.

In another development, the Documentation Center of Palestinian Refugees in Northern Syria called on registered Palestinian families to show up at the center after Eid in order to receive their protection cards.

Applicants for the card should have original and complete identity documents, fill in application forms, and bring in their personal photos and IDs. Married couples should bring copies of recognized marriage contracts and of their children's birth certificates. Those whose documents went missing are required to obtain a police document testifying to the paper loss.



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The Documentation Center of Palestinian Refugees North of Syria was established in order to keep record of and provide personal data on the Palestinian refugees sheltered in northern Syria. The group cooperates with the concerned authorities to that end.

The center has reportedly seen the day in response to the absence of authentic civil records and official bodies documenting the personal data (including marriage contracts, birth date, death date, number of children and newborns etc...) of the Palestinian refugees who have been taking shelter in northern Syria.

In the meantime, Director of UNRWA projects in Syria, Michael Amania and Director-General of the General Authority of Palestinian Arab Refugees, Ali Mustafa, toured AlAyedeen Camp in Hums to inspect living conditions in the area.

Amania and Mustafa said efforts have been ongoing to cover UNRWA's funding crunch after the US slashed allotted funds to the refugee agency.



Amania stressed the need to boost hygiene in and around Palestinian refugee camps in Syria.



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Palestinians taking shelter in AlAyedeen Camp in Hums have been facing a deteriorating humanitarian situation as a result of the price leap, sharp shortage in fuel supplies, the frequent power blackouts, and absence of humanitarian assistance. High rates of unemployment and the security turmoil rocking the region have made the situation far more alarming.