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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Palestinians of Yarmouk Rail Against Soaring Cemetery Prices"

- Palestinian Refugee Succumbs to Wounds in War-Torn Syria
- 95% of Palestinian Children from Syria in Egypt Denied Right to Education
- 2 Palestinian Residents of Yarmouk Camp Spotted in Syrian State Jails
- Campaign Kick-Started in Lebanon to Treat Injured Palestinians from Syria

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Victims

Palestinian refugee Muhammad Ahmad AlJebali, affiliated with the Free Palestine Movement, died of wounds he sustained in clashes against ISIS militias in Yarmouk Camp, prior to the government takeover of the camp on May 21, 2018.

AGPS documented the death of 723 Palestinian refugees affiliated with different warring parties in Syria, among them 12 Palestinians from the Free Palestine Movement.



Latest Developments

Burying their deceased beloved ones has become a nightmarish quest for Palestinians taking refuge in and around Yarmouk Camp. The refugees find it too difficult to secure a burial spot due to a shortage of land and soaring tomb prices.

The residents have been subjected to tough security restrictions as they attempt to entomb their deceased relatives in the Old Cemetery of Yarmouk Camp or AlShuhada Cemetery.



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In order for burial procedures to be green-lighted by the government-run Palestine Branch, a medical report and a death certificate should be obtained by the family. Documents proving that the deceased person is a resident of Yarmouk and that he/she has no affiliations with the opposition forces should also be acquired by the family.



In the meantime, 95% of Palestinian children from Syria have been prevented from accessing education facilities in Egypt, where they are treated as foreigners rather than legitimate asylum seekers.

The Egyptian authorities continue to categorize the Palestinians of Syria as “tourists” and, thus, denying them the right to a unequivocal legal status. Refugees have been shorn of the right to legal stays in the country.

Palestinian children from Syria have been denied easy access to education facilities in Egypt. The refugees receive basic and secondary school education at government-run schools after a formal consent is issued to that end by the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor and the Ministry of Education.



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Unlike Syrian nationals, who have been exempted from paying education charges, Palestinian refugees are compelled to pay in dollars given their “tourist” status.

Speaking with AGPS, a Palestinian refugee from Syria said he has failed to enroll his 10-year-old daughter at a government-run school. The only option left is to have her join a private school, an alternative which he said far outlives his budget.

According to the refugee, hundreds of Palestinian children from Syria have been enduring a similar fate as his daughter’s as their parents have failed to shell out education fees at private institutions. The fact that UNRWA has not opened up schools for Palestinian refugees in Egypt has added bad to worse.

Meanwhile, Mu’awiya AlHaji who was released from a Syrian government prison said he had met the Palestinian refugee Muhammad Abdul Fattah, a resident of Yarmouk, in jail.

AlHaji said the refugee was transferred to the Sednaya military prison, in Rif Dimashq.

He added that caught sight of another Yarmouk resident, whom he identified as Alaa AlBakjaji, in the 291 Branch.

AGPS documented the incarceration of 1,728 Palestinian refugees in Syrian state dungeons.

Meanwhile, the Union of Relief and Development Associations in Lebanon and the International Committee of the Red Cross embarked on a campaign to take down the names of



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persons suffering from war injuries and gunshot wounds in Lebanon.

Wounded persons who are in need of medical surgeries and currently taking shelter in Lebanon will reportedly benefit from the initiative. Check-ups will be carried out by specialized doctors to finalize the list of concerned patients.

Displaced Syrian and Palestinian refugees who fled the embattled Syrian territories continue to sound distress signals over the poor-quality health services and lack of relief assistance in the Lebanese territories.