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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



**"Palestinian Refugee Arrested by Opposition Forces in Northern Syria"**

- Palestinian Refugee Disappears in Syria
- Palestinian Refugees in Syria Distressed as Gov't Lifts Subsidies on Basic Goods
- 12 Refugees Found Frozen to Death near Turkey-Greece Border

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## Latest Developments

Palestinian refugee Mohamed Mahmoud Shreih was arrested by the Turkish-backed Syrian National Army, which controls large parts of Aleppo's outskirts along with other areas north of Syria.

Mohamed, a resident of Hindarat Camp for Palestinian refugees, in Aleppo, was arrested on way to Turkey. He appeared in a video with other detainees who appealed for their release.

AGPS data indicates the presence of over 40 Palestinian refugees in detention centers run by the Syrian National Army.

AGPS has also documented the secret detention of 1,797 Palestinian refugees in state-run penal complexes across war-torn Syria, among them 110 women and girls.

Along similar lines, Palestinian refugee Omar Hasan Ali, aged 51, disappeared after he left his house some four days earlier. He suffers psychological disorders.

The office of wounded and missing persons north of Syria appealed to those who have met Omar to reach out to the office.

Omar was a resident of AlHanboushiya village, northwest of Syria.

Meanwhile, Palestinian refugees have voiced their deep concern over their abject humanitarian condition, saying the situation has taken a turn for the worse after the Syrian government ended subsidies on basic items.



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As part of the new measure, a break pack is to be sold at 1,300 Syrian pounds, a liter of fuel at 1,700, gasoline at 2,500 a liter, and a gas cylinder at 30,600.

The government will end subsidies for 596,628 families (15% of families) having nearly 450,000 cars (47% of private cars).

In the meantime, the partially clothed bodies of 12 people have been found inside Turkey close to the border with Greece, after they apparently froze to death.

Turkish Interior Minister Suleyman Soylu posted blurred images on Twitter showing the bodies lying by the roadside near the northwestern border town of Ipsala with some wearing only shorts and T-shirts despite the cold.

He said the 12 were part of a larger group that had been “pushed back” by Greece.

“12 of the 22 migrants pushed back by Greek Border Units... have frozen to death,” Soylu wrote in English, saying they had been stripped of clothes and shoes. Temperatures in the area can fall to between two and three degrees Celsius (35.6 – 37.4 Fahrenheit) at night in late January and early February.

He accused Greek border guards of thuggish behaviour and said the European Union was “weak” and inhumane.

Greece’s Migration Minister Notis Mitarachi said the deaths were a “tragedy”, but that Turkey’s version of events was “false propaganda”.



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“These migrants never made it to the border. Any suggestion they did, or indeed were pushed back into Turkey is utter nonsense,” Mitarachi said.

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) said it was “horrified” by the reported deaths.

“Mounting reports of pushbacks against people on the move at some European borders and many parts of the world are extremely concerning and should be investigated and action taken,” said Safa Msehli, a spokesperson for the IOM.

“We reiterate that such practices are prohibited under international law and should not happen under any circumstances,” she said. “The obligation and primacy of saving lives and prioritising the wellbeing and human rights of migrants are vital to the integrity of any border.”

Turkey frequently accuses neighbouring Greece of illegally pushing back migrants and asylum seekers wanting to make their way into Europe across the two countries’ shared borders on foot or by boat. Greece denies allegations its actions are in breach of international law, and says it is doing its duty to protect the EU’s southeastern borders.