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Latest Developments

Activists from the Palestinians of Syria Association in Turkey have embarked on an initiative seeking to work out the legal hurdles faced by Palestinian refugees from Syria in Turkey, particularly those who illegally entered the Turkish territories and unregistered Palestinian children in Turkey.

The Palestinians of Syria Association in Turkey urged the Palestinian refugees from Syria with a frail legal status to register their names and personal information along with those of unregistered children in order to work out their situation and smooth their enrollment at schools and access to other facilities, including hospitals.

Recently, Palestinian refugees from Syria in Turkey have expressed concerns over their deteriorating condition particularly in light of the new movement clampdown imposed across Turkish provinces as part of anti-coronavirus measures.

A large number of companies, factories, and shops shut their doors for fear of further COVID-19 contaminations. Several Palestinian families have lost their sole sources of income as a result.

In another development, UNRWA said in its weekly health report that all Palestinian refugee camps in Syria are coronavirus-free.

UNRWA stated in its weekly update issued on May 31 that 157 covid-19 cases have been recorded in its five fields of operation, up from 130 cases recorded in a May 22 report.



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Recently, AGPS expressed deep concern that the lack of transparency maintained by the Syrian government regarding the pandemic will result in a catastrophic situation in displacement camps, at a time when the deadly virus continues to claim the lives of thousands of people across the globe.

AGPS said it feared the coronavirus could spread quickly in jails and in overcrowded displacement camps, where neither hygiene kit nor medical equipment are accessible.

Displacement camps set up in northern Syria are especially vulnerable as most hospitals and medical facilities have been bombed, rendering them out of order.

Meanwhile, the General Security Directorate in Lebanon said applications for visas by Palestinian refugees from Syria and other migrants will be received again as of June 3.

Applications for visa renewal will also be received starting March 2020.

The Lebanese General Security Directorate suspended visa applications following the outbreak of the novel coronavirus in the country, in mid-March.

According to information collected by UNRWA, more than 80 per cent of PRS indicate that cash assistance is their main source of income. 95 per cent of PRS are food insecure, while about 89 per cent of PRS live in poverty. 36 to 57 per cent of PRS youth face unemployment. In August and September 2019, UNRWA conducted a verification exercise of PRS in Lebanon and verified the physical presence of 27,803 PRS in the country.



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The number of PRS in Lebanon has been gradually decreasing over the past two years, and UNRWA estimates that in 2020 the country will continue to host approximately 27,700 PRS (8,450 families). UNRWA said PRS's vulnerability is further compounded by their precarious legal status. According to the Agency's monitoring data, around 55 percent of PRS do not possess valid legal residency documents.

The lack of a valid legal status, often coupled with outdated civil registration documents, results in severely restricted freedom of movement for some PRS in Lebanon due to fear of arrest, detention and being issued a departure order.

Meanwhile, activists in AlRamadan camp for Palestinian refugees in Rif Dimashq embarked on a campaign to clean residential neighborhoods and plant seedlings.

Garbage mounds were cleared from the main entrance to the camp and sidewalks were painted.

Nine years into the Syrian conflict, residents of Ramadan camp continue to launch cries for help over the socio-economic crises they have been enduring as a result of poverty, unemployment, the acute dearth in vital items, including fuel, and the swift price leap.

Ramadan Camp for Palestinian refugees is located some 50 kilometers away from southeastern Damascus. The nearest city to the camp—AlDameer city—is located at a distance of nine kilometers.