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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Thousands of Palestinian Refugees at Risk as Snowstorm Norma Hits Lebanon"

- Elderly Palestinian Refugee Goes Missing in Damascus
- Palestinian Refugee Khaled Shakosh Secretly Held in Syrian Gov't Prison since 2014
- Dozens of Palestinian Children Join Scout Hiking North of Syria

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Latest Developments

Palestinian and Syrian refugees in Lebanon continue to sound distress signals after the winter storm "Norma" brought flooding, snowfall and freezing rain across the country.

Storm "Norma" has caused damages to infrastructure, roads and homes across Lebanon, putting thousands of refugees at risk, scores of whom are children.

The storm has caused the collapse of many tents and flooding of several refugee camps. Hundreds of displaced families have been heavily affected.



Umm Yousef, a mother of four children from Syria-based Yarmouk Camp, said her family has spent sleepless nights and has been shivering of cold after their tent has been uprooted by the torrential winds.

Adel, another refugee from Daraa Camp in Syria, said Norma storm has made life unbearable in the impoverished refugee camps where displaced Palestinian and Syrian refugees have sought shelter.

A so-called Abu Kasem said snow and freezing rains have crept through his zinc-roofed tent. "We don't even have a carpet to lie on."



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This winter is also proving to be one of the toughest for thousands of families displaced from Syria and seeking refuge in AlFarah Camp in AlBekaa, where hundreds of families have so far been hit by the wave of snow, heavy rain and strong wind, forcing many of them to evacuate their already impoverished tents.

Many refugees had to spend the night standing up. Some families were stuck in the tents under the snow.

Emergency measures have to be put in place to rescue stranded families and help those suffering from the cold.

In another development, elderly Palestinian refugee Kamel Ahmad AlAwar, aged 85, has disappeared from AlQabon area, in Damascus, since November 23, 2018, on his way to his home in Qatna, in Rif Dimashq.



His family continues to appeal for information about his condition and whereabouts.

The missing refugee has reportedly been diagnosed with cardiovascular disorders.

According to AGPS data, over 300 Palestinian refugees, including women and minors, have gone missing since the outbreak of the



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Syrian warfare. Most of those who have disappeared are reportedly residents of Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees, south of Damascus.

Meanwhile, Palestinian refugee Khalil Ibrahim Shakosh, born in 1987, has been enduring a mysterious fate in Syrian state prisons for the fifth year running.

Khalil was kidnapped from his home in Jdeidat Artouz in Rif Dimashq on December 01, 2014 and dragged to an unidentified destination.

Over 1,720 Palestinian refugees have been locked up in Syrian state prisons, according to AGPS statistics.

In the meantime, dozens of displaced Palestinian children north of Syria took part in a three-kilometer parade staged by the Ein Jalout Scouts Club.



The event aims at developing scouting skills and boosting children's physical potentials.