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الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

The situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



Palestinian Refugee Pronounced Dead, 2 Children Injured in Explosion in Jaramana Camp

- Palestine Embassy in Egypt Excludes Palestinians of Syria from List of Aid Beneficiaries
- Activists: Reconstruction of Yarmouk Camp Hinges on Family Returns
- Palestinian Refugees in Aleppo Rail Against Delay of Aid Delivery
- Palestinian Refugee Wins Silver Medal at Damascus Athletics Competition



Latest Development

An explosion that rocked the UNRWA-run Kafr Sabt school, in Jaramana Camp for Palestinian refugees, in Rif Dimashq, has claimed the life of a Palestinian refugee and left two others wounded.

An AGPS correspondent, said a fuel tank went off during maintenance works. Worker Ramzi Alyan Ali was pronounced dead while two students sustained wounds.

Military patrols showed up in the area and opened an investigation into the incident.

Academic installations in Jaramana camp include four double-shift schools.

The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) has frequently warned that some groups are at higher risk from explosive ordnance due to age, gender, social roles and activity patterns: children who will pick up dangerous items, farm workers who dig up the land, population groups on the move like IDPs, who may enter areas without knowledge of local threats.

In Syria, approximately 1 in 2 people are at risk from explosive contamination and 1/3 of the communities are potentially contaminated. Contamination severely impacts lives, livelihoods and amplifies the social and economic crisis aggravated by the COVID-19 pandemic.



People displaced or returning home are at high risk as they have limited information on safety issues in the areas they are going to.

This threat is particularly high for Palestine refugees in Syria, especially in newly-accessible or difficult-to-reach areas. These include areas that Palestine refugees have recently returned to areas such as Yarmouk, Ein el Tal and Dera'a camp.

In another development, Palestinian refugees from Syria in Egypt have slammed the Palestine Embassy for excluding them food aid recently distributed to 1,600 families across a number of provinces.

Palestinian refugees from Syria (PRS) in Egypt continue to rail against the apathy maintained by UNRWA and the Palestine Embassy regarding their appeals for humanitarian, legal, and socio-economic protection.

A number of refugees said UNRWA liaison office in Cairo continues to turn its back on their calls for cash and in-kind assistance.

Palestinian refugees who fled war-torn Syria to Egypt continue to call on UNRWA to take up its responsibilities and hand them over relief and cash aid, amid the economic hardship inflicted by COVID-19 outbreak.

Palestinian refugees who fled war-torn Syria have been subjected to a volatile legal status in Egypt, where they are treated as foreigners rather than asylum-seekers fleeing war-stricken zones. Palestinians from Syria have also been denied the right to legal



visas, refugee documents, safe accommodation, basic services, relief assistance, free movement, and access to education and labor, among other basic necessities.

AGPS continues to stress the need to secure the rights of the Palestinians from Syria in Egypt as per the Refugee Convention of 1951, and to hand them over cash and in-kind aid, along with refugee cards, in order to enhance their legal status in the Egyptian territories.

Meanwhile, activists continue to call on residents of Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees, south of Damascus, to return to the camp and retrieve their property as the only way to pressurize authorities to reconstruct destroyed infrastructure and vital facilities.

Lawyer Nour AlDeen Salman warned of ongoing attempts to empty the camp of its residents, saying increasing the pace of family returns is the only means to bring life back to normal in the camp.

Entering its 11th year, the Syrian warfare has had disastrous fallouts on Yarmouk Camp and other displacement camps set up across the ravaged country. In 2014, the Syrian regime cut off water in the camp, leaving hundreds of families at the risk of death.

Before the crisis started in 2011, Yarmouk was a bustling home to almost 30 percent of the Palestine refugee population in Syria. Today, the weight of displacement, hardship and the loss of loved ones add to the difficult living conditions in Yarmouk.



Along similar lines, Palestinian refugees in the northern Syrian province of Aleppo said they have been deprived of food parcels distributed by the Agency.

The refugees said they have not received the first batch of aid slated to be distributed some four months ago, adding that lentils and rice have been missing from food baskets.

In the meantime, Palestinian refugee Zakaria Yehya Ameish, from Khan Dannun Camp, won the silver medal at the Shamna International Athletics Competition.

Players from Lebanon, Iraq, Palestine, and Kuwait took part in the contest, which was held at the Tishreen Stadium in Damascus.

Hundreds of displaced Palestinian refugees in/from Syria have achieved success stories, despite the traumatic upshots wrought by the daily scenes of bloodshed and destruction across the embattled Syrian territories.

This includes scores of refugee students who have obtained the highest scores at their academic institutions; hundreds of refugee sportsmen/sportswomen who snatched the first places in regional and international competitions; dozens of artists who received renowned literary awards for their products and performances; and several housewives who turned trauma into a space of creativity.