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"Warfare, Poverty Forces Palestinian Families to Seek Shelter in Cattle Farms"



- Air raids rock environs of Al-Muzeireeb town
- Jafra charity distributes milk, bread to Khan Al-Sheih families
- 1,145 Palestinian refugees locked up in Syrian jail, 457 tortured to death

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Latest Developments

Several Palestinian families in Deraa province have sought shelter in dairy farms and sheep ranches as their homes have become unsafe due to the raging warfare and bloody hostilities.

Having no place to run to or shelter to hide into, dozens of Palestinian refugees, who have been wondering down and out in streets, have turned to the uninhabitable Syrian-Libyan cattle farm as they hunted for a safer refuge for their traumatized children.



Located in Gileen town, lying some 25 km away from western Deraa, the Syrian-Libyan dairy farm was seized by an Islamic faction after it was shut down following the outburst of the Syrian warfare.

Some 500 displaced families from Yarmouk, Abtaa, Dael, and Atman have been taking cover in the makeshift sanctuary pitched by Deraa's anti-government local council.



AGPS correspondent said the makeshift tents are not fit to live in. At times of torrential downpours, many of those ramshackle tents just fall apart while others barely resist the heavy rainfall swamping the shelter.

Even those who have had had the chance to dwell in stone-walled farmsteads have not been safe from the perilous fallouts of the wintry weather.

Chronic power and water blackouts, along with the propagation of lethal infections, the lack of medical care, absence of relief assistance by UNRWA and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) have made the sanctuary a miserable place to live in.

Those taking refuge in the farm called on the UNRWA and all other concerned bodies to urgently step and immediately work out the crisis.

In another development, the Syrian warplanes on Tuesday struck a quarter between the southern Syrian towns of Tafas and Al-Muzeireeb, located some 11 km away from northwestern Deraa province.

The targeted territory is reportedly home to 8,500 Palestinian refugees along with hundreds of families displaced from Deraa Camp.

No injuries were reported in the offensive.

Meanwhile, the Jafra Foundation for Relief and Development handed out bread loafs and toddler milk to Palestinian families housed in Khan Al-Sheih Camp, in Rural Damascus.

The charity reached out to Khan Al-Sheih residents in an attempt to keep tabs on their needs.



In the meantime, AGPS documented the incarceration of 1,145 Palestinian refugees in Syrian government lock-ups and the death of 457 others under torture in those penitentiaries.

The figures are expected to be much higher due to difficulties in the documentation process and the government reticence over the fate of Palestinian refugees held in Syrian penal complexes.

Difficulties in documentation also stem from the families' reluctance to reveal the fate of their missing relatives for fear of retaliation.

AGPS kept record of several cases where Palestinians have been kidnapped at government checkpoints or during assaults carried out by the regime troops on Palestinian shelters. In most such cases, the detainees' families receive their relatives' bodies from a military or government hospital while wrapped up in a plastic bag or in a blood-tainted piece of cloth.



Palestinians of Syria: January 11, 2017 Statistics:

- *At least 3,419 Palestinians, including 455 women, were killed in war-torn Syria.*
- *1,145 Palestinian refugees, including 80 women, are incarcerated in Syrian government lock-ups.*
- *Yarmouk refugee camp has been blockaded by the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine - General Command (PFLP-GC) for 1,302 days in a row.*
- *190 Palestinians died of undernourishment and medical neglect in the blockaded Yarmouk Camp.*
- *Water supplies cut off in Deraa and Yarmouk camps respectively for 1,006 and 821 days.*
- *Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo, denied access to their homes for 1,349 days. Government battalions have been holding sway over the camp for more than 84 days.*
- *Government troops ban residents of Al-Sbiena Camp from returning to their homes for 1,155 days running.*
- *Over 79,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees fled to Europe until mid 2016.*
- *31,000 Palestinians from Syria are housed in Lebanon.*
- *17 Palestinians from Syria are taking refuge in Jordan.*
- *6,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are sheltered in Egypt.*
- *8,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are taking shelter in Turkey.*
- *1,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are sheltered in the blockaded Gaza Strip.*