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The situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

Scores of Palestinian Families Denied Access to AlHajar Aswad

- Residents of Yarmouk Camp Urge Syrian Authorities to Unlock Palestine Thoroughfare
- Palestinian Refugee Student Gets High Score at UK University
- UNRWA to Deliver Cash Aid to Palestinians of Syria



Latest Developments

Syrian security forces allowed 200 families to return to AlHajar AlAswad area, south of Damascus, while hundreds of others have been denied access to the area.

So far, 1,000 families, including Palestinian refugees, have returned to AlHajar AlAswad. Other refugees whose relatives or acquaintances have been chased down by Syrian forces or the terrorism court along with ex-prisoners involved in terror allegations have been denied access into the area.

Thousands of Palestinian refugees took shelter in AlHajar AlAswad, which came under heavy shelling since 2013 and a crippling siege after ISIS crept into the area. Offensives launched by the Syrian and Russian forces resulted in heavy material damage and took away the lives of dozens of civilians.

Along similar lines, residents of Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees have called on local authorities to unblock the access road to Palestine Street in order to allow civilians and vehicles to smoothly enter and exit the area.

After more than a decade of bloody conflict, families who have returned to Yarmouk Camp have been grappling with a dire humanitarian situation.

The absence of vital facilities, most notably healthcare services and access to education, along with the poor infrastructure and absence of means of transportation have made the situation unbearable in the camp.

At the same time, the residents continue to grapple with a chronic power blackout and exorbitant electricity bills. Mounds of rubble pile and uncleared garbage have made access out of and into the area quite a difficult task.

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.



Meanwhile, Palestinian-Syrian student Mohamed Hosam Tamim earned the AS diploma from Cambridge University with an A degree.

Mohamed, born in 2005 in Damascus, studied hard for one year and a half before he was awarded such a high achievement in physics, mathematics, and computer sciences.

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.

In the meantime, UNRWA started sending text messages to Palestinian refugees who will be receiving cash grants from the Agency.

The grant covers three months and will be handed over to the most vulnerable families registered with UNRWA.

The refugees will be receiving 156,500 or 112,000 Syrian pounds depending on their condition.

UNRWA called on families who have not received the second batch of their cash grants to reach out to the Agency as of August 14 until September 29.

The protracted conflict has devastated human security and left 91 per cent of the 438,000 Palestine refugees estimated to remain in the country in absolute poverty and 40 per cent displaced.

Palestinian refugees in war-torn Syria continue to struggle with growing poverty and economic hardship. Many PRS have lost their sources of income; refugee camps have seen unprecedented levels of destruction; rental prices have dramatically gone up; undernourishment and poverty have been a daily nightmare.