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"With Advent of Academic Year, 700 Students in Daraa Camp for Palestine Refugees Shorn of Access to Schools"

- Child Missing in Jaramana Camp for Palestine Refugees
- Palestinian Refugees Take to Beirut Streets to Push for Humanitarian Asylum
- School Bags and Stationery Handed Over to Palestinian Students from Syria in Istanbul

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Latest Developments

AGPS documented a sharp nosedive in access to schools for Palestinians sheltered in Daraa refugee camp, south of Syria, after most of Daraa's education premises have been reduced to rubble in the raging warfare.

As many as 700 students (from 1st to 9th grade) taking refuge in the area have been deprived of their right to attend school, as the new academic year has seen the day.

Prior to the conflict, back in 2010, six UNRWA schools had been operative in Daraa Camp, before they shut their doors as a result of the bloody shootouts.

A number of homes have been used as alternative schools, where dozens of students are often crammed into one single room that lacks equipment, ventilation and hygiene. Double shift classes are made available in order to boost students' academic output.



The war in Syria has had disastrous fallouts on civilians' intellectual skills and academic performance, with hundreds of Palestine refugees dropping out of school over security concerns or following psychological breakdowns. A number of education



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facilities have also been turned into prisons or field hospitals, imperiling Palestinians' academic careers. Dozens of Palestinian teaching staff members have been arrested and sent to jail.

As Syria's bloody conflict kicked into high gear, Daraa Camp for Palestinian refugees has been grappling with abject conditions as a result of the fallouts of the military operation launched by the Syrian government forces in mid-June 2018 using internationally-prohibited weapons in an attempt to recapture the area. An acute shortage in medicines and much-needed items along with the government's tough blockade on the camp have made life unbearable in the area.

Founded in 1950-1951, Daraa Camp is home to over 650 displaced Palestinian families. As many as 4,500 families used to take shelter in the camp prior to the outbreak of the conflict, in 2011.

In another development, Palestinian child Amal Saqr, a resident of Jaramana Camp for Palestinian refugees, went missing some three days ago on her way back home from school. Her parents said they have failed to reach out to her and continue to appeal for information.





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According to AGPS data, as many as 328 Palestinian refugees have gone missing since the outburst of the Syrian war, among them 38 women and girls.

Meanwhile, Palestinian refugees from Syria joined a rally held outside of the Australian embassy in Lebanon on Sep. 11 to demand humanitarian asylum and safe access to European countries pending a just and lasting solution to their plight.

At the same time, the Youth Authority of Palestinians from Syria handed over a memorandum to the Australian Embassy and the European Union, saying they have been enduring an abject situation in Lebanon, to which they fled after they were robbed of their property and belongings in war-torn Syria.



The refugees also sounded the alarm over the life-threatening journeys undertaken by hundreds of migrants onboard Europe-bound boats.

Last week, hundreds of Palestinian refugees, waving Palestinian and Canadian flags, gathered outside of the Canadian Embassy in Beirut, requesting asylum in the North American country.



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The periodic protests outside the embassy on the coastal highway north of Beirut began a few weeks ago, after a crackdown on undocumented foreign labor by Lebanese authorities.

There are tens of thousands of Palestinian refugees and their descendants in Lebanon. Most of them live in squalid camps with no access to public services, limited employment opportunities and no rights to ownership.

In the meantime, Khayra Ummah Organization distributed 250 school bags and furniture to Palestinian students from Syria in Istanbul.

The move comes as part of a project launched in favor of displaced Palestinian refugees from Syria with the start of the new school year.

Nearly 2,400 Palestinian families from Syria have sought shelter in Turkey, including 1,200 families in Istanbul, where they have been facing an abject situation.

Recently, Turkish police stepped down crackdowns and abduction sweeps, targeting irregular migrants and non-holders of the kimlik visa card in Istanbul.