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الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

The situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



### Resident of Palestinian Refugee Camp Arrested in Syria

- Palestine Embassy Adjusts Passport Issuance Fees
- Calls Launched for Coronavirus Vaccine Doses in Jaramana Camp
- Palestine Red Crescent Clinic Operative in Hama Displacement Camp



## **Latest Development**

Palestinian refugee Abdou AlBash, born in 1974 in AlNeirab Camp for Palestinian refugees, in the northern Syrian province of Aleppo, was arrested by Syrian security forces over allegations of giving assistance to young men wishing to illegally leave the war-torn country.

Abdo's friends and relatives denied the allegations, saying the man has been known for his discipline and good reputation.

They slammed the Syrian security forces for making up counterfeit accusations to cover up real smugglers involved in such illegal practices.

The number of Palestinian youths migrating from displacement camps and government-held zones across war-torn Syria has soared.

Recently, scores of refugee families have made their way from their camps and shelters to Turkey, Iraq, and Egypt. Dozens of Palestinian refugee families fled Syria to Lebanon while scores of others crossed to Turkey from Idlib in a trip costing up to 1,500 per a single person.

Many of those who headed to Erbil fled to Turkey through the Iraqi or Iranian borderlands. Several youths have fled conscription in the war-torn country.

Poverty rates have reached a zenith in Palestinian refugee camps in Syria due to the sharp decrease in the exchange rate of the Syrian



pound compared to the USD and the refugees' lack of access to the local labor market.

In another development, the Palestine Embassy said the amount required for passport issuance and renewal procedures is 50,000 Syrian pounds, along with 500 SP to be paid to the bank.

The embassy said concerned persons should submit an application for a Palestinian passport and upload the required papers on the embassy's website. Sometime later, the applicant should show up at the embassy headquarters to present the required documents, including the bank payment receipt within a period of no more than 48 hours.

The embassy said the paid fees cover charges for Palestinian Authority passports and not the Palestinian travel document issued by the Syrian government.

The Syrian and Palestinian passports have been ranked by Henley Passport as the weakest passports during the first quarter of 2022.

The Palestinian passport is ranked 105th globally. Palestinians without visas are only allowed to enter 35 countries, including Sri Lanka, Dominica, Singapore, and the Seychelles. Holders of Palestinian passports should receive a visa to enter 194 countries.

Meanwhile, activists have called upon residents of Jaramana Camp for Palestinian refugees, in Rif Dimashq, to take anti-coronavirus vaccine doses in order to help curtail the virus propagation in the camp.





The calls were launched following a recent decision by the Syrian Health Ministry to embark on widespread vaccination campaigns. Vaccines will be provided in Jaramana Camp starting Wednesday, April 13, at 10:00 a.m.

In another development, the Zaytouna Project run by the Palestinian Red Crescent Society, in cooperation with the United Nations Population Fund, has started providing healthcare services in ALAyedeen Camp for Palestinian refugees, in Hama, starting Wednesday, April 13.

The new centre comprises a pharmacy, in-patient care, and women's and children's clinics.

The centre is operative from 09:00 a.m. to 01:00 p.m. daily. during the holy month of Ramadan. Friday is the weekly day off.

On Monday, April 11, Palestine's Ambassador to Damascus Dr. Samir AlRefai' inaugurated a complex of specialized clinics in ALAyedeen Camp for Palestinian refugees, in Hama.

The complex will provide free access to healthcare services to the camp residents, who have been grappling with abject humanitarian conditions.