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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Family Appeals for Information over Fate of Palestinian Refugee in Syria"

- Palestinian Refugees Rail Against Security Turmoil in Qudsaya
- Facebook Suspends Palestine Liberation Army Page
- UNRWA Schools Shut in Lebanon's AlRashidiya Camp over Water Contamination

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Latest Developments

The family of Palestinian refugee Faez Manad ALTayeb Manad continues to urge the Syrian government to disclose the fate of their forcibly disappeared relative.

Manad, a resident of AlSabina Camp for Palestine refugees, in Rif Dimashq, was arrested in 2012. His condition and whereabouts have been shrouded in mystery.



Over 1,767 Palestinian refugees have been forcibly disappeared in Syria's state-run penitentiaries, including 108 women and dozens of minors.

Meanwhile, displaced Palestinian families taking shelter in Qudsaya town, in Rif Dimashq, continue to sound the alarm over the security turmoil overwhelming the area and the heavy deployment of political security forces across residential alleyways.

Local activists said a number of young men were arrested by the government security forces in Qudsaya without explainable reasons, amid rising concerns about forced military conscription at pro-government squads.



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According to the same sources, the Syrian security forces have tightened military grip around Qudsaya and stepped up arbitrary manhunts at government-run checkpoints.



Some 6,000 Palestinian families displaced from Yarmouk Camp, south of Damascus, continue to face dire socio-economic conditions in Qudsaya.

Meanwhile, Facebook suspended the page of the Palestine Liberation Army (PLA) in Syria at a time when the group has been celebrating its 55th founding anniversary.

The page posts the latest developments regarding military operations and attacks targeting opposition sites in war-torn Syria. Calls for military conscription with pro-government battalions are also circulated on the page.

AGPS found out that 277 Palestinian refugees fighting alongside PLA forces were pronounced dead since the outbreak of the conflict in the Syrian Arab Republic.

15 PLA members were pronounced dead after they broke away from the battalion. Several others were tortured to death in Syrian



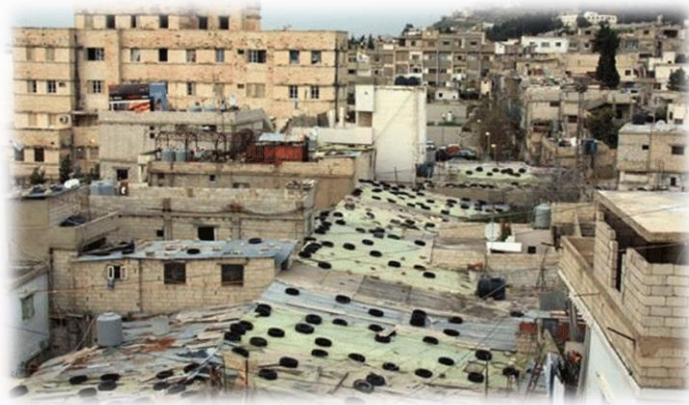
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government jails. 17 members have been forcibly disappeared since 2011.

Scores of Palestinian youths have been forced to join the PLA. Those who refuse forced conscription are often subjected to manhunt and imprisonment. Thousands of young men have fled the country in the hunt for a safer shelter.

In the meantime, UNRWA announced its decision to close its schools in Rashidieh camp for Palestinian refugees in Southern Lebanon for three days, starting September 11.

The UN refugee agency opted for the decision after reports of water contamination have emerged. Lab tests on water samples that feed school tanks have shown significant levels of bacteria.



UNRWA announced its intent to replace all water tanks, disinfect water lines, and remove contaminants and undesirable components from water.

UNRWA also said laboratory tests are being carried out at the American University in Beirut to verify the alleged transmission of hepatitis A virus through consumption of contaminated water.



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Over recent days, UNRWA has warned of the outburst of hepatitis (liver inflammation) in AlRashidiya Camp and called on the refugees to follow prevention tips.

UNRWA's Health Department spotted a number of hepatitis-stricken cases in AlRashidiya refugee camp.

UNRWA said it has been keeping tabs on such cases and taking all necessary measures to protect the refugees. The agency has also embarked on an awareness-raising campaign.

Located south of the Lebanese city of Sur (Tyre), AlRashidiya Camp is home to some 260 displaced Palestinian families who fled the bloody shootouts in Syria.