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Latest Developments

Palestinian and Syrian families rallied on Sunday outside of I'zaz Camp, protesting the mistreatment they have been subjected to by the local administration.

Speaking with AGPS by phone, the administration of I'zaz Camp denied, however, the allegations, saying staff have been doing their best to meet the refugees' needs.

Admins added that the rally held by the displaced refugees came following a decision prohibiting the transfer of meals from the restaurant to the tents in order to preserve public hygiene and reduce the propagation of rats in the area.



The camp administration also denied reports that 13 residents suffered rat bites, saying only two such cases have been spotted in the camp.

The displaced families confirmed, however, that 13 civilians, whose names and pictures have been documented, sustained injuries and scars all over their bodies as a result of rat bites. They held the camp administration responsible for the crisis due to its apathy regarding the residents' appeals for urgent action.



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In another development, members of the Palestine Liberation Organization's (PLO) Executive Committee Azzam AlAhmad and Wasel Abu Yousef discussed during their stopover in Damascus possible ways to boost reconstruction of Yarmouk Camp.

This came during a meeting with Syrian state delegates and Palestinian officials in an attempt to ease the refugees' return to their homes.

Wasel Abu Yousef pledged that the PLO delegation will follow-up on debris-clearance and reconstruction of infrastructure in Yarmouk Camp.

Abu Yousef urged the concerned Syrian authorities and UNRWA to live up to their responsibilities as regards' civilians' appeals for reconstruction.

At the same time, member of Fatah's Central Committee Samir AlRefai' said the Syrian authorities updated them on their decision to resume removal of debris from Yarmouk Camp after works have been suspended for a month and a half pending the approval of official authorities.





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AlRefai' said 70% to 80% of debris has already been removed from residential alleyways, adding that the follow-up committee has been waiting instructions to carry on rubble-clearance and to embark on the reconstruction of AlShuhadaa Cemetery before giving way to other reconstruction projects in the camp.

In the meantime, displaced Palestinian refugees from Syria taking shelter in the Turkish city of Sakarya appealed to the national and international human rights institutions, the Palestine Liberation Organization, and the Palestine Embassy to take urgent action regarding the abject living conditions they have been enduring.

Some 35 families told AGPS that they have been struggling for survival in the area due to the price leap, lack of access to the local labor market, and absence of relief assistance by UNRWA and the UNHCR.

A Palestinian refugee spoke out against the precarious legal status the Palestinians continue to face as the Turkish authorities have denied them access to the kimlik visa.

Palestinians refugees fleeing war-torn Syria are treated as Syrian nationals in Turkey. However, the Turkish authorities continue to prevent holders of the kimlik card from moving to another city before an official consent is issued by the concerned authorities to that end.

Meanwhile, the Palestinians of Syria Commission for Relief and Development handed over bread loafs and fuel supplies to



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families sheltered in Idlib after they have gone displaced from Yarmouk and Khan Eshieh camps.

The move makes part of a charity campaign kick-started in 2019 to assuage the crises endured by the Palestinian refugee community north of Syria, where they have been gripped with tragic conditions due to the absence of humanitarian assistance and basic services.

