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"Four Years since Notorious Al-Meigh Massacre, Yarmouk Residents Grappling with Forced Deportation"



- Pro-government forces block access of UN aids into Khan Al-Sheih Camp
- Residents of Al-Neirab Camp launch cry for help over power, fuel crises
- 90% of civilian buildings in Aleppo-based Handarat Camp razed to ground

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Latest Developments

Four years have elapsed since the so-called Al-Meigh Massacre, also known as the Massacre of Abdul Kadir Al-Husseini Mosque, took place on December 16, 2016, when onslaughts by the Syrian fighter jets on Al-Husseini Mosque, in Yarmouk, took away the lives of dozens of civilians, mostly women and children.



The massacre led to the deportation of hundreds of refugees sheltered in the camp, in what has been described as the most massive exodus from Palestinian refugee camps in Syria.

Today, only 8,000 refugees have remained in the shelter. The situation has gone far worse due to the tough blockade imposed by the regime army and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-GC. As a result, all hospitals and facilities in the camp suspended their services. Civilians have also run out of much-needed foodstuff.

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According to AGPS data, 1,284 Palestinian refugees died in Yarmouk Camp, 192 among whom due to undernourishment and medical neglect.

ISIS capture of the camp in April 2015 and the daily crackdowns on the refugees added bad to worse in Yarmouk.

Meanwhile, reporting from Khan Al-Sheih Camp, AGPS correspondent said tension has been running high in the area as pro-government civil militias banned the access of UN aid packages into the camp and attempted to steal aid-loaded trucks.



AGPS correspondent added that nearly 600 UN-marked trucks carrying foodstuff and aids entered into Khan Al-Sheih a couple of days ago. The aids, provided by UNICEF and the Red Crescent, included food items, flour, drugs, detergents, bread, and blankets.

Red Crescent ambulances and mobile clinics escorted the aid trucks.

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The Syrian government forces and their war abettors held sway over the entire camp following a deal recently struck with the opposition outfits in early December.

A few days earlier, Director of the Arab Palestinian Refugees General Commission, Ali Mustafa, entered the camp and discussed with the residents possible ways to smooth the access of students and civilians out of and into the shelter.

In a related development, residents of Al-Neirab Camp, in northern Syria, have launched a cry for help over the power crisis in the camp and the acute dearth in fuel reserves with the advent of the winter season.

Civilians spoke out against the leap in fuel prices, amounting to 280 Syrian Liras per liter.

High unemployment rates, coupled with a swift hike in prices have made life unbearable in the government-led Al-Neirab Camp.

Several refugees fled to Turkey and Europe as they sought a safer shelter for their starved children.

At the same time, nearly 90% of civilian buildings and structures in the adjacent Handarat Camp, in Aleppo, have been reduced to rubble due to the unabated offensives launched by the regime army.

Snapshots and video footages leaked from the camp bear witness to the heavy damage inflicted by the raging warfare. The regime battalions and their Liwa Al-Quds partners seized the camp, forcing the opposition forces to give ground.



Residents of Handarat have gone homeless for 13,222 days running after the opposition outfits forced them out of their homes. The camp has been under the control of the government squads for over 60 days.



Palestinians of Syria: December 16, 2016 Statistics:

- *At least 3,411 Palestinians, including 455 women, were killed in war-torn Syria.*
- *1,135 Palestinian refugees, including 55 women, are incarcerated in Syrian government lock-ups.*
- *Yarmouk refugee camp has been blockaded by the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine - General Command (PFLP-GC) for 1,277 days in a row.*
- *192 Palestinians died of undernourishment and medical neglect in the blockaded Yarmouk Camp.*
- *Water supplies cut off in Deraa and Yarmouk camps respectively for 980 and 797 days.*

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- *Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo, denied access to their homes for 13,222 days. Government battalions have been holding sway over the camp for more than 60 days.*
- *Government troops ban residents of Al-Sbiena Camp from returning to their homes for 1,130 days running.*
- *31,000 Palestinians are housed in Lebanon.*
- *17 Palestinians are taking refuge in Jordan.*
- *6,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are sheltered in Egypt*
- *8,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are taking shelter in Turkey.*
- *1,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are sheltered in the blockaded Gaza Strip.*
- *Over 79,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees fled to Europe until mid 2016.*