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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



### "AGPS Issues New Book about Yarmouk Camp Tragedy"

- Families Displaced from Yarmouk Camp Face Mysterious Fate
- Civilians Appeal for Rehabilitation of Water Wells in Hama Displacement Camp
- Cash Grant of Palestinian Refugee from Syria Stolen from Lebanon Bank
- Food Items Handed Over to Palestinian Refugees in Syria

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## Latest Developments

AGPS has recently issued a book entitled “Yarmouk Camp: A Fourfold Tragedy”, which sheds light on the violations which the camp residents have been subjected to since March 2011 until the end of April 2020.

The book tackles four phases undergone by the camp residents during the period under examination and covers the property-theft, displacement, and destruction to which the camp has been subjected.

The study provides a list of victims that were killed or forcibly disappeared during that period.

To download the book, click here:  
<http://www.actionpal.org.uk/ar/reports/special/talashiyarmouk.pdf>

Along similar lines, property-theft and burglary targeting civilian homes and property have increasingly been reported in Yarmouk Camp. Stolen materials include house furniture, ware, and power wires.

Flocks of vehicles laden with belongings stolen from abandoned buildings in the camp continue to be spotted in the area.

Over recent years, pro-government militias in Syria have reportedly been raking through evacuated homes in Yarmouk and holding sway over furniture, copper, iron, and kitchenware belonging to displaced families.



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The Syrian government forces regained control over Yarmouk Camp and southern Damascus towns following a 33-day military operation launched in April 2018. Dozens of civilians were killed and dozens more injured in the offensive. Over 60% of buildings have gone either totally or partially destroyed in the warfare.

Palestinian families displaced from Yarmouk Camp continue to call on the concerned authorities to allow them a safe return to their homes and to press ahead with reconstruction projects.

Meanwhile, residents of AlAyedeen camp for Palestinian refugees in Hama have called on the concerned authorities to repair local water wells due to the frequent water blackouts in the area.

“Most of civilian homes have run out of potable water. Water wells have also repeatedly gone out of operation due to frequent power outages”, a resident told AGPS.

Palestinians taking shelter in AlAyedeen Camp in Hama have been facing a deteriorating humanitarian situation as a result of the price leap, absence of stable financial resources, the sharp shortage in fuel supplies, frequent power blackouts, and absence of humanitarian assistance.

High rates of unemployment, the security turmoil rocking the region, and the arbitrary arrest sweeps launched by the Syrian security forces have made the situation far worse.

In another development, Palestinian refugee from Syria in Lebanon Ibrahim Khaled Mahmoud said he has had his cash grant anonymously withdrawn from a bank in the Lebanese city of Sur.



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Ibrahim said he went to Bob Finance bank office as soon as he received the transaction code. After he showed his ID and UNRWA card to the bank staff, he was told to show up at the office the following day to withdraw a sum of one million and 450 thousand Lebanese pounds.

When Ibrahim returned to the office, as he was told to do, he failed to withdraw his cash grant due to overcrowding and decided to return the following day. However, bank staff told him that his cash grant was withdrawn.

Ibrahim asked for an official document proving that he or someone else received the money from the bank. His request has gone unheeded.

Over recent days, Palestinian refugees and activists in Lebanon have strongly condemned the distribution mechanism of cash aid by the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA).

The refugees said they have been subjected to mistreatment by staff at the Bob Finance bank.

They added that the Agency has paid no heed to their safety as no hygiene kit and safety measures have been made available at cash delivery locations.

A video circulated on social media showed a staff member of Bob Finance office as insulting Palestinian refugees lining up in the street to get their cash grants.

In response, UNRWA issued a press statement on May 18 apologizing to the refugees for the mistreatment they have faced at Bob Finance's bank office.



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The Agency pledged to find practical solutions at the earliest possible time to enhance aid distribution mechanisms.

In the meantime, Athar Foundation for Development distributed food aid to vulnerable families in Yarmouk Camp.

A sterilization drive has also been carried out by the charity across a number of residential neighborhoods.

At the same time, the Charity Association for Relief of Palestinian People continues to hand over food baskets to displaced Palestinian families in Damascus and Rif Dimashq.