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The situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

Residents of Yarmouk Camp Slam Dishonesty of Reconstruction Contractors

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Latest Developments

Activists from Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees, south of Damascus, have accused contractors of lying and dragging their feet over their pledges to carry out reconstruction works.

A number of contractors reneged on their promises to build new apartments, reconstruct damaged buildings, and install metal structures to prevent burglary in the camp.

The residents said no serious efforts have been made to rehabilitate the sewerage and power/water networks.

A number of contractors affiliated with the Syrian regime reportedly continue to blackmail the residents and threaten retaliation.

Bargaining

In another development, displaced Palestinian families sheltered in camps set up north of Syria expressed deep concern over an unabated cholera outbreak in the area.

The Syria Response Coordinators Team said that new cholera infections are recorded almost daily in northern Syria, particularly in displacement camps in northwestern Syria (almost 27% of the total cases recorded in the area).

AGPS has frequently warned of the spread of cholera in displacement camps set up north of Syria, as a result of malnutrition and poor immunity, especially among vulnerable people sheltered in substandard facilities.

The residents have expressed fear that cholera will turn into an endemic in a country where the infrastructure, health care facilities, and vital services have been ravaged.

AGPS calls on Syrian authorities to increase water supplies in the region and provide vulnerable families with potable water to help them combat the deadly virus.

A few months earlier, the UN humanitarian relief coordinator for the country warned that the official declaration of a cholera outbreak in the Aleppo region of Syria represents a serious threat to people in Syria and the whole Middle East region.



AGPS also calls for a swift and urgent action to prevent further illness and death. UN agencies and non-governmental organizations partners should coordinate with health authorities to ensure a timely and effective response.

The outbreak was declared on 10 September by the Syrian Ministry of Health, following 15 confirmed laboratory cases, including one patient death. A total of 936 cases of severe acute watery diarrhea were reported between 25 August and 10 September, which led to at least eight deaths.

The outbreak is an indicator of severe shortages of water throughout Syria, an issue AGPS has been sounding alarm bells on for some time.

While the Euphrates levels were dropping with drought-like conditions and a national water infrastructure damaged by 11 years of war, much of the already vulnerable population of Syria is reliant on unsafe water sources, which may lead to the spread of dangerous water-borne diseases, particularly among children.

Water shortages are forcing households to resort to negative coping mechanisms, such as changing hygiene practices or increasing household debt to afford water costs.

Meanwhile, Palestinian refugee Moemen Ismail Taameh passed the referee tests held by the Syrian Football Federation.

Moemen, raised in AlSabina Camp for Palestinian refugees, was nominated as class 1- referee.

Hundreds of displaced Palestinian refugees in/from Syria have achieved success stories, despite the traumatic upshots wrought by the daily scenes of bloodshed and destruction across the embattled Syrian territories.

This includes scores of refugee students who have obtained the highest scores at their academic institutions, hundreds of refugee sportsmen/sportswomen who snatched the first places in regional and international competitions, dozens of artists who received renowned literary awards for their products and performances, and several housewives who turned trauma into a space of creativity.



In the meantime, Palestinian-Syrian young man Ahmed Mahmoud Eid has been secretly held in Syrian government prisons for the ninth consecutive year.

Ahmed was arrested on February 01, 2013 and dragged to an unidentified destination.

AGPS has kept record of the secret incarceration of over 1,800 Palestinian refugees in Syrian prisons, including 110 women and girls.