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"50 Palestinians from Syria Drown on Migration Road"



- **ISIS Strikes Tahrir AlSham Sites West of Yarmouk Camp**
- **Fear of Water-Borne Disease Spread in Blockaded Zones South of Damascus**
- **Palestinian Refugees in Southern Syria Enduring Dire Conditions**

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Latest Developments

50 Palestinians from Syria, mostly women, children, and elderly refugees, drowned onboard the death boats to Europe, fleeing the tattered Syrian territories.

A number of casualties breathed their last off the Libyan seashores on way to Italy while others sunk in Marmara waters as they tried to reach the Greek coast.



In another development, ISIS hit Tahrir AlSham-led zones west of Yarmouk Camp with mortar shells, inflicting material damage.

Violent clashes between ISIS and Tahrir AlSham have rocked Yarmouk Camp since early April 2016.

Meanwhile, activists in southern Damascus warned of an imminent spread disease in Yarmouk due to the acute dearth in potable water supplies.



The Palestine Charity Commission in southern Damascus also warned of the swift propagation of life-threatening diseases and infections among thousands of civilians and refugees in such southern Damascus areas of Yalda, Babilla, and Beit Sahem, due to contaminated water supplies.

According to the charity, several children have been diagnosed with sharp diarrhea, inflammatory bowel diseases, and leishmaniasis, among other lethal diseases.

The commission attributed the phenomenon to the unhygienic water supplies drunk by civilians in the area as the Syrian government cut off water to Yarmouk shelter and its environs. Springs serving hundreds of civilians in the territory have also ceased to flow.

Over recent months, activists in blockaded southern Damascus areas raised alarm bells over the countless cases of intoxication spotted among stranded children, mostly in Yarmouk and Babila due to the infected Al-Fijeh water line.





No significant water purification endeavors have taken place in the area. One such rare attempt occurred in Babila, where a resident manufactured a handmade water filter to remove undesirable chemicals and suspended contaminants from the impure al-Fijeh supplies.

At the same time, AGPS on-the-spot reporter said Palestinian refugees in southern Syria have been enduring abject humanitarian conditions. Residents of Daraa Camp have also sounded distress signals over the quasi-permanent cuts of power, water, and telecommunications in the area.

The situation has taken a turn for the worse due to the dramatic price leap and steep rental fees, along with the acute shortage in foodstuff, fuel, and children's milk.

The area has also been devoid of clinics and hospitals, except for a handful of under-equipped emergency centers.

Activists attributed the health crisis to the tough cordons imposed by the Syrian government forces on the main access roads out of and into the area, along with the UNRWA's dragging of its feet vis-à-vis the appeals frequently launched by the Palestinian refugee community in southern Syria.

Palestinians of Syria: April 23, 2017 Statistics:

- *At least 3,483 Palestinians, including 455 women, were killed in war-torn Syria.*



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- *1,187 Palestinian refugees, including 87 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 1,375 days in a row.*
- *195 Palestinians died of undernourishment and medical neglect in the blockaded Yarmouk Camp.*
- *Water supplies cut off in Deraa and Yarmouk camps respectively for 1,106 and 957 days.*
- *Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo, denied access to their homes for 1,450 days. Government battalions have been holding sway over the camp for more than 184 days.*
- *Nearly 85,000 Palestinian Syrian refugees fled to Europe until mid 2016.*
- *31,000 Palestinians from Syria are housed in Lebanon.*
- *17,000 Palestinians from Syria 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.*