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الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية
The situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

Abductions, Property-Theft Reported in Palestinian Refugee Camps in Syria

- Student Violence Reported in AlRaml Camp for Palestinian Refugees in Syria
- Water Crisis Ongoing in AlHusainiya Camp
- UNRWA Pledges to Secure Fuel to Palestinian Refugees in Lebanon



Latest Developments

Palestinian refugee families sheltered in and around Damascus have raised concerns over the increasing theft attempts, home-burglary, and abductions reported in the area.

Several women have had their mobile phones and personal belongings stolen in public amenities and overcrowded markets.

Several refugees have had their money taken away from them by gangsters at gunpoint.

Protracted displacement, deteriorating socio-economic conditions aggravated by unemployment, dire humanitarian needs and protection concerns continue to affect the lives of Palestine refugees in Syria.

Many PRS lost their sources of income; refugee camps have seen unprecedented levels of destruction; rental prices have dramatically gone up; undernourishment and poverty have been a daily nightmare.

Due to the serious protection gaps, children have been forced to drop out of school and join armed groups to help feed their starving families.

Along similar lines, reports of violence and school-drop outs have increasingly emerged in AlRaml Camp for Palestinian refugees, in Latakia.

A few days earlier, an altercation burst out between schoolchildren in the UNRWA-run AlKhayriyah School, resulting in injuries.

Many Palestinian children have dropped out of school as a result of the violent warfare. In live photos circulated on social media networks, Palestinian children appear to be sitting in cafés while taking up cigarettes and hookah.

The bloody warfare in Syria has had traumatic fallouts on Palestinian refugee children in and outside the Syrian territories.

Post-traumatic stress disorders, mental psychosis, sleeplessness, nightmares, eating disorders, and intense fear have all been among the symptoms with which Palestinian children have been diagnosed after they lost their homes, have had their parents killed



in the war, underwent limb amputation, and witnessed daily scenes of death and destruction.

AGPS calls on all international institutions and NGOs, namely UNICEF and UNRWA, to take serious measures in order to provide Palestinian children with the physical and moral protection quite urgently needed at such turbulent times.

Palestinian children from Syria who fled with their parents to neighboring countries have also faced severe psychological breakdowns owing to the perpetual state of dislodgement, dispossession, and homelessness they have been facing.

Meanwhile, residents of AlHusainiya Camp for Palestinian refugees, in Rif Dimashq, continue to denounce the acute shortage in potable water due to frequent breakdowns in the power network.

The cash-strapped families have been overburdened by the exorbitant prices of water sold by owners of private tanks.

Over recent years, residents of AlHusainiya camp have denounced the absence of vital services in the area. The transportation crisis, price leap, absence of relief assistance and healthcare, power and water crises, and high rates of unemployment have made survival quite difficult for dozens of displaced Palestinian families.

The conflict in Syria has led to a food safety disaster in the country, with 93 percent of the population living in poverty

UN data indicates that the protracted conflict has devastated human security and left 91 per cent of the 438,000 Palestine refugees estimated to remain in the country in absolute poverty and 40 per cent displaced.

In the meantime, Acting Director General of the UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees (UNRWA), Munir Manna, promised, during his meeting with the Joint Palestinian Action Authority in Lebanon, on Tuesday, November 22, to secure fuel for the Palestinian refugee families in the Bekaa region.

Palestinian families taking refuge in AlBekaa have been struggling for survival in the face of the sub-zero temperatures rocking the mountainous region and the rain downpours swamping their poorly-equipped tents.



Families have been left with no option other than burning plastic bottles to keep their children warm, despite the damage wrought on their vulnerable bodies.

The families expressed fear that they won't be able to cook their food or keep the cold out of their homes this year due to fuel dearth, as a freezing winter season is about to unlock its gates.

The refugees have launched into a tirade against the malpractices of Lebanon's burgeoning black oil market, fuel shortages, and—most of all—the exorbitant prices of wood and fuel charged by corrupt officials and traders.