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"Palestinian Refugees Slam Popular Committees in Lebanon for Inciting Political Rifts"

- Fires Break Out in AlNeirab Camp for Palestinian Refugees
- Palestinian Refugee Dies of Coronavirus in Syria Displacement Camp
- Humanitarian Drive Launched in Khan Eshieh Camp
- Humanitarian Campaign Held in Solidarity with Palestinian Refugees Abroad

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Latest Developments

Activists have accused popular Palestinian committees in Lebanon of inflaming political divisions and defaming Palestinian activists from Syria who have been speaking up for their inalienable rights.

Speaking with AGPS on conditions of anonymity, an activist said the chief of the popular Palestinian committees is involved in conspiracies aiming to divide the Palestinians.

In a statement issued On April 25, the popular Palestinian committees in Lebanon lashed out at Palestinians from Syria involved in human rights activism in Lebanon, saying the vigils called for by the association of displaced persons outside of UNRWA office in Beirut have not ties whatsoever to the Palestine Liberation Organization.

In another development, an AGPS correspondent in Aleppo said fires broke out at the house of Palestinian refugee Mohamed Ter'il, in AlNeirab camp, in Aleppo.

Mohamed, his wife, and children sustained burns. Heavy material damage was also reported.

The residents rushed to the scene to extinguish the fires, which have been attributed to a short circuit.

Meanwhile, Palestinian refugee Maymoun Fawzi Turki, aged 40, has died of the novel coronavirus in AlNeirab Camp, in Aleppo.



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Civilians have strongly condemned the Syrian authorities and international humanitarian organizations regarding their appeals for urgent treatment and for ambulances to carry the diseased to the hospital.

The residents have expressed deep concern over their children's safety due to the absence of anti-coronavirus drives and hygiene kit in the area.

Confirmed coronavirus cases have increasingly been reported in Palestinian refugee camps in Syria, at a time when residents have been launching cries for help over the absence of hygiene kit and medicines.

A few months earlier, AGPS also warned of an unabated outbreak of COVID-19 in Palestinian refugee camps in Syria. Limited access to running water, pharmacies and medical facilities mean displacement camps are more susceptible to the spread of the highly infectious virus.

Displacement camps set up in northern Syria are especially vulnerable as most hospitals and medical facilities have been bombed, rendering them out of order.

In the meantime, activists in Khan Eshieh camp for Palestinian refugees have embarked on a campaign to provide iftar (fast-breaking) meals to the vulnerable families sheltered in the area.



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Palestinian families taking refuge in Khan Eshieh camp have been struggling with squalid humanitarian conditions inflicted by the ten-year warfare.

According to UN data, Khan Eshieh camp lies beside the ancient ruins of Khan Eshieh, 27km south-west of Damascus. The Khan historically served as an overnight shelter for trade caravans on the road between Damascus and the southwest, and in 1948, it provided shelter for the first refugees from Palestine. The camp was established in 1949 on an area of 0.69 square kilometers with refugees originally from the northern part of Palestine.

Before the conflict in Syria, the camp was home to more than 20,000 Palestine refugees. In 2012, the farms and fields surrounding the camp became active battlegrounds in which heavy weapons were deployed, often indiscriminately. The population more than halved to 9,000.

Some of the camp's buildings and infrastructure were severely affected including some UNRWA installations; two UNRWA schools and the community centre were almost razed to the ground. In 2016, UNRWA was able to re-access Khan Esheih and the Agency was able to rehabilitate some of its installations. Residents have also slowly started to return, with the camp now accommodating 12,000 people.

Along similar lines, the Popular Conference for Palestinians Abroad has launched a campaign to support Palestinian refugees in camps and shelters set up in foreign countries.



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The campaign will soon see the day in Syria, Lebanon, and Jordan, where food baskets will be distributed to the vulnerable families.