



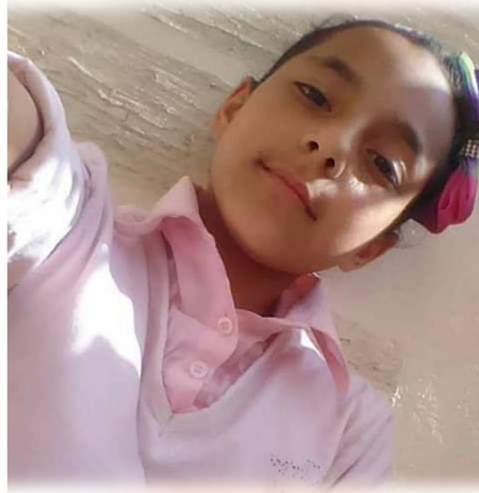
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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

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“Palestinian Child Killed in Raging Hostilities South of Syria”



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Recent Updates

11-year-old Palestinian girl Aynaa Khaldoun Abu Nabout succumbed to wounds inflicted by a round of fresh clashes between the government troops and the opposition outfits in AlKashif neighborhood, in Daraa AlMahatta, south of Syria, on May 18, 2017.



Her death brings the number of Palestinians killed in the unabated Syrian warfare to 3,502.

Meanwhile, Amnesty International slammed, in a report issued on May 19, the Swedish authorities for complicating family reunification procedures for migrants from Syria.



Amnesty said Sweden has opted for a closed-door immigration policy in order to rein in the influx of migrants who wish to join their families in Sweden.

Amnesty condemned the new regulations and restrictions opted for by Sweden and other European states under the pretext of fighting terrorism.



Hundreds of Palestinian families from Syria seeking shelter in Sweden have been grappling with intricate family reunification procedures, which often last for over a couple of years pending a final decision.

The Swedish authorities have tightened the noose around Palestinian refugees' necks, suspending permanent visas and ruling that they be entitled only to temporary stays of a maximum of three years.

In another development, Hamas Office for Refugee Affairs issued its fourth annual report on the situation of the Palestinians from Syria in Lebanon for 2016.



The report examines the precarious social and legal statuses of the Palestinians from Syria in Lebanon.

The study found out that the number of refugees in 2016 has shrunk back to 33,000, down from 43,000 by the end of 2015, at an estimated decrease of up to 23%.

The report raised alarm bells over the crackdowns perpetrated against the Palestinians from Syria in Lebanon, along with the dire socio-economic conditions, poor health services, the lack of humanitarian assistance by such relief organs as UNRWA, and the steep costs of visa-renewal fees.



At the same time, the report documented a surge in family reunification trips on board the migration boats to Europe in 2016.

According to UNRWA's latest estimates, 31,000 Palestinians from Syria have been sheltered in Lebanon until late 2016.

Civil Action Committees:

Jafra Foundation for Relief and Development, south of Damascus, continues to provide families displaced from Yarmouk to Yalda, Beit Sahem, and Babila with relief services.



A clean-up campaign was carried out by Jafra team in the aforementioned areas, housing over 2,000 families who were displaced from Yarmouk after ISIS grabbed hold of the camp in April 2015.

Palestinian families displaced from Yarmouk to nearby towns have been enduring dire conditions as a result of the tough cordon imposed by the government army since mid 2013.

In a related development, 50 food boxes were handed over to a number of Palestinian families from Syria in Bekaa Valley, in central Lebanon.

600 families, out of 10,000 Palestinian families displaced from Syria, have been sheltered in Bekaa.



Palestinians of Syria: May 25, 2017 Statistics:

- *At least 3,502 Palestinians, including 462 women, were killed in war-torn Syria.*
- *1,603 Palestinian refugees, including 99 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 1,406 days in a row.*
- *196 Palestinians died of undernourishment and medical neglect in the blockaded Yarmouk Camp.*
- *Water supplies cut off in Deraa and Yarmouk camps respectively for 1,137 and 988 days.*
- *Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo, denied access to their homes for 1,481 days. Government battalions have been holding sway over the camp for more than 215 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.*