



## التقرير اليومي



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

### **UNRWA: Palestinian Refugee Women, Girls Subjected to Violence**

- **Palestinian Refugees Denounce Power Blackout in Syria Displacement Camps**
- **UNRWA to Deliver Aid to Palestinians of Syria in Lebanon**
- **Palestinian Refugee from Syria Wins Bodybuilding Championship in Sweden**



## Latest Developments

The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) joined the global call for an end to gender-based violence under the UN Secretary-General's 2022 UNiTE campaign: UNITE! Activism to End Violence against Women and Girls.

To mark the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence (GBV) against Women and Girls, the Agency said it will be holding events across the West Bank, including East Jerusalem, Gaza, Lebanon, Syria, and Jordan to highlight its commitment to end violence against women and girls.

“Palestine refugee women and girls face different and intersecting forms of marginalization, discrimination, and harm based on their gender, as Palestinians, and as refugees. These are exacerbated in crisis and emergency contexts, and by limited access to specialized support services. The prevention and elimination of violence against women is a core priority for UNRWA. The Agency is currently introducing new guidelines to provide survivor-centered, comprehensive and better integrated services in keeping with a more holistic approach,” said UNRWA Deputy Commissioner-General Leni Stenseth.

AGPS has documented the death of hundreds of Palestinian women and the enforced disappearance of several others in the embattled Syrian territories.

AGPS data indicates that as many as 487 Palestinian women and girls have died of war-related incidents since the outbreak of the Syrian conflict.

Palestinian refugee women who died all the way through Syria's ten-year conflict make up 16% of the overall death toll.

At the same time, AGPS has documented the secret detention of 110 Palestinian women and girls in Syria's government prisons. AGPS believes the numbers to be far higher as scores of casualties have gone undocumented after the Syrian authorities kept their



names secret. Several families have also refused to reveal their relatives' names over retaliation concerns.

According to affidavits by ex-detainees, Palestinian women and girls have been subjected to harsh psycho-physical torture tactics in Syrian penitentiaries, including electric shocks, heavy beating using iron sticks, and sexual abuse.

Such practices represent flagrant violations of the Declaration on the Protection of Women and Children in Emergency and Armed Conflict of 1974, Article 5, which criminalizes all forms of torture and mistreatment against women and children.

In another development, Palestinian refugee families sheltered in displacement camps across war-ravaged Syria said their humanitarian situation has been exacerbated by the chronic power blackout.

Households in Palestinian refugee camps face a six-hour cut. At times, power is completely cut off for days.

A member of the Syrian People's Assembly demanded that the government's Ministry of Electricity opt for a fair electricity rationing across Syria.

Meanwhile, UNRWA started sending text messages to Palestinian refugees in Lebanon over cash aid delivery covering the months of July and August.

UNRWA called on concerned refugees to show up at OTM offices and present their identity documents in order to receive their cash grants.

UNRWA said an additional sum of 150 USD will be handed over to displaced Palestinian refugee families from Syria in Lebanon in late November.

In the meantime, Palestinian-Syrian young man Hassan Kablawi won the first place in the bodybuilding championship held in Göteborg, Sweden.

Hasan was raised in AlAyedeen refugee camp, in Latakia, Syria.

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.