

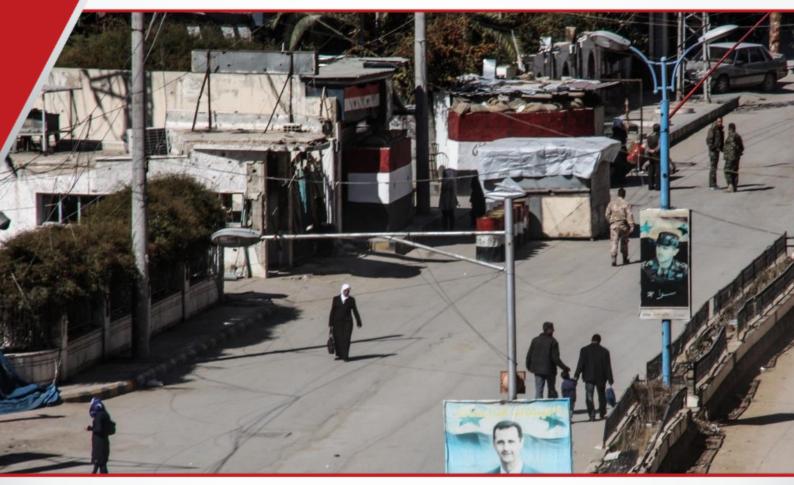
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الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Concerns Mount among Palestinian Refugees as Syrian Gov't Launches Calls for Military Conscription"

- Access Roads to AlTadhamun Neighborhoods Opened Up for Displaced Families
- Students Appeal for School Transport at AlNeirab Camp for Palestine Refugees
- Palestinian Refugee Yusuf AlKubra Forcibly Disappeared in Syria for 7th Year



Latest Developments

A state of rising fear has overwhelmed Palestinian young men taking refuge in southern Damascus after calls were circulated by the incumbent government for military recruitment.

According to Sawt AlAssima news site, a list of 6,000 wanted residents of southern Damascus was released by the government recruitment branch. Concerned men are required to turn themselves in by the end of October.



Over 5,000 Palestinian refugees have sought shelter in southern Damascus after they fled the embattled Yarmouk Camp due to the heavy shelling by the Syrian and Russian forces, and shortly after ISIS militias held sway over the area in 2015.

Palestinian refugees who joined the Palestine Liberation Army, among other battalions affiliated with the Syrian government, have been enduring serious crackdowns and abuses. A number of Palestinian deserters or draft dodgers have been summoned to questioning by government officers and subjected to psychophysical torture to force confession.

A number of Palestinian recruits also said they have been forced to carry out exhausting personal chores for government officers



against their will and under threat of punishment. Even those who have had their security files worked out have been involved in forced labor.

The fear of conscription, and potential punishment for ducking it or for desertion, is frequently cited by NGOs as one of the main reasons Palestine refugees give for wanting to leave Syria.

In another development, efforts have been ongoing in AlTadhamun neighborhood, south of Damascus, to remove debris and open thoroughfares pending the return of displaced families to their homes, pro-government sources in Syria have reported.

In footages taken from the scene, cleaning workers and vehicles are seen clearing rubble near AlZubair Mosque. Security forces have been heavily deployed around the area.



A few months earlier, Damascus Governor Adel AlAleibi said displaced families were about to return to their habitable houses in AlTadhamun neighborhood, south of Damascus, and will receive a damage compensation of up to 30%.

Prior to the outburst of the bloody hostilities in Syria, hundreds of Palestinian families used to take shelter in AlTdhamun neighborhood.



Meanwhile, students and parents at AlNeirab Camp for Palestinian refugees, in Aleppo, appealed to the concerned authorities to secure transportation means to give daily lifts to the local university due to overcrowding and unpunctuality in public means of transport.

In a letter handed over to Aleppo Governor and to the local transport manager, the residents called for the need to secure buses to transfer students to and back from their academic institutions, saying there currently exists no direct line between the camp and the university.

Reports have recently emerged about the decision of Aleppo's transport committee to pass on the residents' appeals.

Palestinian refugee families taking shelter in AlNeirab Camp continue to sound distress signals over the high rates of unemployment, water and power outages, along with the absence of health care and vital items, particularly fuel and gas.

In the meantime, Palestinian refugee Yusuf AlKubra, a resident of AlNeirab Camp, in Aleppo, has been secretly detained in Syrian government prisons for the 7th consecutive year.





Yusuf, affiliated with the Islamic Jihad Movement in Palestine, was arrested near Damascus old gate of AlSharki, on August 15, 2012.

AGPS documented the secret detention of 1,768 Palestinian refugees in Syrian government prisons, among them dozens of women and girls.