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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Palestinian Family Secretly Held in Syrian Prisons for 7th Year"

- University Students in AlNeirab Camp Grappling with Transportation Crisis
- 17 Migrants Contract Coronavirus in Greek Migrant Camp
- UN Agency Calls on Palestinian Refugees to Sign Up for MA Scholarship



Latest developments

Alarm bells have been sounded over the mysterious fate of several Palestinian families who have been held captive in Syrian dungeons.

The list of missing families includes Mouloud Khaled AlAbdullah's family, kidnapped on July 27, 2013 at a government-run checkpoint in Nisreen Street, in AlTadhamun neighborhood, adjacent to Yarmouk Camp.

The family's 73-year-old father, Mawloud Khalid AlAbdullah, has been diagnosed with cardiovascular diseases while the mother, Dheiba, 65, is a diabetic patient. Al Abdullah family members Ilham, 48, Anaam, 33, Yasmeen, 39, along with the latter's six-year-old kid Obada, have all gone missing so far.

Unverified reports said the family is being held in pro-government penitentiaries in AlTadhamun quarter. Others said the family members are locked up in a prison in Damascus. The family's actual conditions and whereabouts remain, however, shrouded in mystery.

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.



The residents called for the need to secure buses to transfer students to and back from their academic institutions, saying schoolchildren and students have been forced to pay 200 Syrian pounds instead of the 100 pounds imposed by local authorities.

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 another development, 17 coronavirus infections have been reported in Moria camp, set up on the Greek island of Lesvos.

Last week, hundreds of Palestinian asylum-seekers and thousands of other migrants taking shelter in Moria camp have been quarantined following a confirmed coronavirus case.

More than 12,000 people - mainly from Syria, Afghanistan and Iraq - live in Moria camp, which has grown to become the island's second largest town in just three years.

Moria, in a former military base, opened in 2015 as a center to register new arrivals but is now at four times its capacity and it has spilled over into a muddy, garbage-strewn olive grove.

In the meantime, UNRWA has called on students wishing to apply for a Master's degree at Arizona University to sign up on http://bit.ly/OLS_UNRWA in order to be considered for scholarships granted by Abdulla Al Ghurair Foundation for Education.



The foundation is now offering MA scholarships for 33 different specializations, spanning the fields of engineering, technology, health, education, tourism, and more as part of the Al Ghurair Open Learning Scholars Program.