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## الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Palestinian Refugee Woman Killed in Istanbul"

- Civilians' Safety Threatened by Uncontrolled Weapon Circulation in Khan Eshieh Camp
- Palestinian Refugee Ayham Fakhri Held in Syrian Jail for 7th Year
- Cash Aid Transferred to Palestinians of Syria in Lebanon



## **Latest Developments**

Palestinian woman Hiba Yousef, a former resident of Syria's Yarmouk Camp, was found dead in the Turkish metropolitan city of Istanbul.

Reporting from Turkey, an AGPS news correspondent said that Hiba was stabbed to death by her husband on October 11 in Esenyrut district, west of Istanbul, following an altercation between them. The husband slaughtered her in cold blood in the presence of her four-year-old girl.

An eye-witness said neighbors heard echoes of a violent altercation from the victim's house. As they attempted to enter the building, the husband refused to unlock the door. They reached out to the Turkish police.

Hiba was found lying on the ground covered with blood. The policemen arrested the husband and transferred the vicitm's body to the hospital. The child was taken to a childcare center run by the Turkish Ministry of Family and Social Services.

In another development, residents of Khan Eshieh camp for Palestinian refugees have denounced the unrestrained flow of arms among the pro-government militias.

The residents attributed the simmering tension in the area to the uncontrolled use of weapons by pro-regime gunmen.

The residents called on the concerned authorities to urgently work on disarming the camp and protecting vulnerable civilians.



Meanwhile, Palestinian refugee Ayham Fakhri Abdul Rahim, born in 1990, has been locked up in Syrian state prisons for seven years running.

Ayham was kidnapped by pro-government militias from Jaramana Camp, in Damascus province, in 2013. His condition and whereabouts remain unknown.

In the meantime, UNRWA in Lebanon said new batches of cash aid have been transferred to Palestinian families displaced from Syria.

In a statement, UNRWA said every refugee will receive 70,000 Lebanese pounds as a food grant and an additional sum of 390,000 Lebanese pounds as part of donations made by the EU Trust Fund "Madad".

UNRWA called on the refugees to keep a distance of at least two meters at bank offices and to regularly wash their hands.

UNRWA has identified PRS in Lebanon as one of the most marginalized and poorest communities in the region.

In its 2020 Syria crisis emergency appeal, UNRWA said that PRS in Lebanon continue to face high vulnerability and marginalization, making them heavily reliant on UNRWA humanitarian support to cover their basic needs. The socioeconomic hardships and unrest experienced by the country have compounded PRS' already dire living conditions.

According to a survey conducted by the American University of Beirut in 2015, nearly 90 percent of the PRS population in



Lebanon live in poverty, including 9 per cent who are in extreme poverty and unable to meet even their most essential food requirements.

PRS's vulnerability is further compounded by their precarious legal status. The lack of a valid legal status, often coupled with outdated civil registration documents, results in severely restricted freedom of movement for some PRS in Lebanon due to fear of arrest, detention or forced deportation.