

الخاص بأوضاع اللجئين الفلسطينيينفي سورية The situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

Palestinian Refugee Missing for 2nd Year following Greek-Bound Asylum-Seeking Trip

- Palestinian Refugee Children in Syria Denied Access to Food Items via Smart Card
- Palestinian Refugees Slam UNRWA
- Palestinian Refugee Wins 2nd Place in Arab Kickboxing Championship



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## **Latest Developments**

Palestinian refugee Ahmad AlNamer (nicknamed Abu Ivan) has gone missing on the Turkish-Greek borders for nearly two years running.

In a letter emailed to AGPS, Ahmed's family said they have lost contact with him since 2021.

Ahmed was born and raised in AlSayeda Zeinab refugee camp, in Rif Dimashq.

His family continues to appeal for information about his condition and whereabouts.

In another development, a number of Palestinian refugees said their children aged below 15 have been barred from smart cards used by the Syrian government to ration bread and a wider range of subsidized goods, namely fuel, rice, tea, and sugar.

Several refugee families said they have not received sufficient quantities of bread and food items.

A refugee slammed Takamul Company for denying his children's access to the smart card over claims that they have not reached the aged of legal maturity.

"How come that a ten-member family gets just a bundle of bread per day?" wondered the refugee.

After more than eleven years of conflict, Palestine refugees continue to be one of the most vulnerable groups in Syria with immense humanitarian needs.

Palestinian refugees in Syria (PRS) continue to launch cries for help over their deteriorating humanitarian condition due to the sharp decrease in the exchange rate of the Syrian pound compared to the USD and their lack of access to the local labor market. The price leap has also overburdened the cash-stripped refugees. House rents have also seen a striking hike from previous years.

In another development, UNRWA said it will be distributing the second batch of food aid on September 2022.



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In a Facebook statement, the UN Agency said it will be sending text messages to the concerned refugees. Palestinian refugees in Syria continue to call on UNRWA to increase humanitarian aid and cash grants and to deliver them to the concerned refugees every month rather than every four months.

UNRWA provides assistance to over 438,000 registered Palestinian refugees in Syria. Some 13,500 others remain in hard-to-reach or inaccessible zones in northern Syria.

The assistance includes cash and in-kind items. Throughout the conflict, the most vulnerable Palestine refugees in/from Syria have been struggling for survival.

UNRWA data indicates that over half of the Palestine refugees in the country have been displaced at least once because of the brutal conflict that ensued, including 200,000 who have sought safety in neighbouring countries, mainly Lebanon and Jordan, and beyond.

Over 80% of PRS live in extreme poverty and rely on humanitarian assistance as their main source of income. 86% of PRS households are reported to be in debt.

In the meantime, Palestinian Syrian refugee Youssef Zuhair Barbar snatched the second place in the 13th Arab Kickboxing Championship.

Yousef did not play the final match against an Iraqi national after he suffered a knee injury.

Yousef is a member of the Palestine kickboxing team and won several contests in kickboxing and mixed martial arts(MMA).