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## الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"756 Palestinian Refugees Killed in Pro-Gov't Shootouts in Syria"

- Another Palestinian Refugee Dies of Coronavirus in Syria Displacement Camp
- Palestinian Refugee Student Assists Displaced Family in Jordan
- Commerce High School Opened Up in AlNeirab Camp for Palestinian Refugees



## **Latest developments**

756 Palestinian refugees were killed as they fought alongside the Syrian government forces since the outbreak of the bloody conflict.

The list includes 265 Palestinian refugees who died as they joined the Palestine Liberation Army (PLA), affiliated with the Syrian government. Palestinians aged 18 and above have been forced to join the PLA in Syria.

At the same time, 100 Palestinians affiliated with the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine – General Command (PFLP-GC) were killed in the raging hostilities. 89 others died as they fought alongside the pro-government Liwaa AlQuds squad.

The list also includes 35 refugees affiliated with Fatah AlIntifada, 21 from AlJalil Forces, 24 from Free Palestine Movement, and 187 others from pro-government militias.

In another development, Palestinian refugee Saada Abdullah Shaheen has succumbed to COVID-19 in AlNeirab camp, in Aleppo. She is the eighth COVID-19 victim in the camp.

A number of Palestinian refugees taking shelter in AlNeirab camp, in the northern Syrian city of Aleppo, have died of COVID-19 last week.

Palestinian political factions in Aleppo sent a petition to UNRWA, urging the Agency to take immediate action in response to the coronavirus outbreak in the camp.



The petition called on UNRWA to equip the camp with medical equipment and medicines to help the residents fight the deadly virus.

Confirmed coronavirus cases have been increasingly reported in AlNeirab refugee camp in Aleppo, at a time when residents have been launching cries for help over the absence of hygiene kit and medicines.

Civilians continue to slam UNRWA's apathy, saying an urgent action is needed to save the camp.

Over recent months, AGPS has also warned of a projected outbreak of COVID-19 in Palestinian refugee camps in Syria. Though campaigns to help spread awareness among the camps' residents have recently seen the day, limited access to running water, pharmacies and medical facilities mean displacement camps are more susceptible to the spread of the highly infectious virus.

Displacement camps set up in northern Syria are especially vulnerable as most hospitals and medical facilities have been bombed, rendering them out of order.

Meanwhile, a Palestinian refugee student has provided a displaced family from Syria in Jordan with a much-needed sum of money to pay rental fees.

The cash-stripped family has been on the verge of homelessness in Jordan. Farah, a student at the Faculty of Medicine, paid a visit to



the family in Amman and gave them part of her stash which she saved for education fees.

Sometime earlier, Palestinian refugee Abu Abdul Rahman, displaced from Syria's Yarmouk Camp, said his family has been struggling for survival in Amman due to difficulties in accessing the local labor market and absence of relief assistance.

The family has been unable to provide for themselves and pay power/water bills. Abu Abdul Rahman's health condition has deteriorated as a result of cardiovascular disorders and the pressure he has been undergoing to secure a livelihood for his family.

The refugee added that the house owner ordered him to either pay the bills and rental charges of the past three months or else to immediately evacuate the building. He said UNRWA has turned its back on his cry for help.

More than 2 million Palestine refugees registered with UNRWA live in Jordan.

There are ten recognized Palestine refugee camps throughout the country, which accommodate nearly 370,000 Palestine refugees. Jordan hosts the largest number of Palestine refugees of all of the UNWRA fields.

The majority of Palestine refugees have sought humanitarian assistance in Jordan, where they continue to suffer from abject poverty and live in a precarious legal status.



In the meantime, the Ministry of Education has established a High School of Commerce in AlNeirab camp for Palestinian refugees.

Some 310 students from AlNeirab camp have sat for 9<sup>th</sup> grade exams this year, 14 among them received a score of over 90% out of a total score of 240%.

AlNeirab camp is the largest official camp in Syria and is 13km east of the city of Aleppo near the Aleppo airport.

Before the start of the conflict in Syria, Neirab camp was home to more than 20,000 Palestine refugees. Like other Palestine refugee camps in Syria, a large number of families, young people, have travelled abroad. The camp has also seen a large influx of more than 900 families from the nearby Ein el Tal camp, which has been mostly destroyed.

With nearly 18,000 registered refugees, Neirab camp is among the most densely populated camps. The camp suffers from overcrowding and a lack of privacy. Like other areas in Syria, displacement, unemployment, inflation, protection and security risks are among the main concerns shared by Palestine refugees and Syrians alike.