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## الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Palestinian Newborn Dies of Medical Neglect in Lebanon"

- Palestinian Refugee Appeals for Kidney Donation
- 45 Palestinian Residents of Hama's AlAyedeen Camp Pronounced Dead in War-Torn Syria
- Residents of AlHusainiya Refugee Camps Denounce Outages in Telecommunications Network



## **Latest Developments**

50-day-old Palestinian baby girl Rasha Issa died on Sunday following weeks of struggle against a life-threatening disease in a Lebanese hospital.

The family said Rasha suffers congenital heart defects and was in need of an urgent life-saving surgery worth 12,000 USD. UNRWA paid 90% of the sum but the family was unable to secure the remaining treatment fees due to their squalid humanitarian condition.

The family added that a hospital in Sidon asked them to pay 125 USD for medical checks. The newborn was transferred to another hospital in Beirut sometime later to carry out the surgery. But the hospital admin asked them to pay 200 USD, a sum that far outlives the budget of the cash-stripped family. Rasha breathed her last shortly after.



The hospital refused to hand them over Rasha's body before the required sum is disbursed, the family further stated.

Nearly 28,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria have sought shelter in Lebanon, where they have been subjected to a precarious legal



status and dire socio-economic conditions owing to their lack of access to vital services, particularly health care.

Along similar lines, Palestinian refugee from Syria Mahmoud Hdeiri, from AlNeirab refugee camp, in Aleppo, has launched appeals for a kidney donation to save his life before it is too late.

Mahmoud is diagnosed with kidney failure and undergoes hemodialysis sessions.



The refugee also called on the international humanitarian institutions and all concerned parties to help him secure the transplantation fees.

Meanwhile, AGPS documented the death of 54 Palestinian residents of AlAyedeen Camp in Hama between March 15, 2011 and November 2020.

The list includes 28 refugees who were tortured to death in government jails, six Palestinians who were gunned down by snipers, and 10 others who were fatally shot.

Four refugees died, meanwhile, in a car blast; two were killed after they were kidnapped; one refugee was extra-judicially executed, and



another died under shelling. Two more Palestinians died of unknown reasons.

According to AGPS data, 90% of the victims are civilians; 10% military.

All the way through Syria's eight-year conflict, Palestinians taking shelter in AlYedeen Camp in Hama have been facing a deteriorating humanitarian situation as a result of the price leap, absence of stable financial resources, the sharp shortage in fuel supplies, frequent power blackouts, and absence of humanitarian assistance.

High rates of unemployment, the security turmoil rocking the region, and the arbitrary arrest sweeps launched by the Syrian security forces have made the situation far worse.

In the meantime, residents of AlHusainiya Camp for Palestinian refugees have railed against the blackouts in the landline service and internet connection for over 30 days.

Civilians said local authorities attributed the breakdown to problems in the local sanitation network.





The residents slammed the reluctance shown by local municipality staff regarding their appeals, saying they have been paying phone and internet fees.

Palestinians taking refuge in AlHusainiya camp have been grappling with dire conditions. High unemployment rates and the absence of relief assistance by UNRWA and other humanitarian institutions have made survival quite difficult in the area.