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## **التقرير اليومي** الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Palestinian Refugee Tortured to Death in Syrian Prison"

- PLO Committee Mandated to Follow Up on Debris Clearance in Yarmouk Camp
- Relief Commission Distributes Fuel Supplies to Displaced Families in Deir Ballout Camp
- New Water Well Dug Out in AlNeirab Camp



## **Victims**

Palestinian refugee Bilal Hasan Dirbas, sheltered in AlMaghareba neighborhood, in Yarmouk Camp, died under torture in Syrian government prisons.

AGPS documented the death of 561 Palestinian refugees, including women and minors, as a result of fatal torture in Syrian state prisons.



## **Latest Developments**

Sources close the Syrian government said local authorities in Damascus governorate reactivated the role of the municipality in Yarmouk Camp and signaled the go-ahead for the creation of a committee, affiliated with the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), to oversee debris clearance in the camp.

Works to rehabilitate Yarmouk Camp are reportedly slated to kickstart between Thursday and Sunday, according to the same sources.

A decision issued by Syria's Council of Ministers during its weekly session, held on November 11, mandated local authorities in Damascus to rehabilitate infrastructure and destroyed facilities in



Yarmouk Camp so as to pave the way for the safe return of the displaced residents.



Activists slammed the decision, which they said overlooks Yarmouk's geo-historical idiosyncrasy and denies its long-standing status as a refugee camp.

Meanwhile, the Commission of Palestinians of Syria for Relief and Development handed over fuel supplies to families who were forcibly deported to Deir Ballout Camp, north of Syria.

Every family received 20 liters of fuel, in a measure aiming to assuage the calamitous conditions endured by the displaced Palestinian families in the poverty-stricken area.





Tents have been uprooted and others have fallen apart as torrential downpours have swamped Deir Ballout Camp for Palestinian refugees in Jindires in Afrin, north of Syria.

Pictures and videos circulated on social media show dozens of Palestinian refugees lying in the streets, without roofs over their heads, and children shivering of cold.

Hundreds of displaced Palestinian families who were forcibly deported to northern Syria continue to launch cries for help as a freezing winter season has enveloped the region.

Refugee families and activists have lashed out at the apathy maintained by UNRWA, the Palestinian Authority, and all other concerned bodies regarding the tragic situation wrought on the displaced Palestinian families.

Nearly 600 displaced families, among them 325 Palestinian families, have been struggling for survival in the poorly-equipped Deir Ballout Camp, after they were forced out of Yarmouk Camp and southern Damascus towns.

In the meantime, works have began a couple of days ago to dig a water well as part of a project to build a new cemetery for Palestinians sheltered in AlNeirab Camp and other areas in Aleppo, north of Syria.

The project has been funded by local NGOs, namely the Palestine Charity Commission.



Activists said the move has seen the day after Palestinians have failed to lay their relatives to rest in the two local cemeteries due to overcrowding. A new land was purchased to that end.

Residents of AlNeirab Camp have been grappling with dire conditions as a result of the price hike and high rates of unemployment. Several youths fled the camp owing to forced military conscription with pro-government battalions.