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## التقرير اليومي



الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية  
The situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

### **Palestinians from Syria in Lebanon Denied Access to Healthcare Services**

- **School Drop-Outs Increasing in Palestinian Refugee Camp in Syria**
- **UNRWA Delivers Cash Aid to Palestinians from Syria in Jordan**
- **Palestinian Refugees Subjected to Human Rights Abuses in Greek Migrant Camp**



## Latest Developments

Palestinian refugees in Lebanon continue to be one of the most vulnerable groups with immense humanitarian needs. The humanitarian situation, already marred by an unprecedented economic crisis in the Middle Eastern country, has been exacerbated by the lack of access to healthcare services.

In a letter emailed to AGPS, a Palestinian refugee said in order for Palestinian refugees from Syria to receive grants for medical referrals, UNRWA stipulates complicated red tape.

A PRS application for medical referral is often rejected over claims of insufficient documents, which often cost twice the price of medical treatment itself. Those who illegally entered Lebanon cannot issue their identity documents, even though they are registered with UNRWA as refugees.

Palestinian refugees from Syria (PRS) in Lebanon are grappling with increased hardship and vulnerability, due to long-term displacement and difficult socio-economic conditions, coupled with the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic.

According to UNRWA, 87% of PRS live in poverty in the Lebanese territories.

Meanwhile, Palestinian refugees sheltered in Ramadan Camp, in Syria's Rif Dimashq province, continue to speak out against the sharp nosedive in access to education for Palestinian children sheltered in the area.

Extreme poverty, child labor, early marriage, and enforced disappearance are among the factors that have led to an increase in school dropouts among the camp residents.

Palestinian refugee families have frequently denounced the inadequate educational services and poor-quality input delivered to their children at local schools.

Local schools face overcrowding, with over 50 students often crammed in a single classroom.

Schoolchildren have also been subjected to bullying and psycho-physical violence by a number of teaching staff.



Upon more than one occasion, UNRWA has raised alarm bells over the striking upsurge in the rate of school dropouts among the Palestinians of Syria, several among whom left schools to help feeding their impoverished families in unemployment-stricken refugee camps.

Several UNRWA facilities were destroyed in the Syrian warfare and others have gone out of operation, including two clinics, a vocational training center, a youth development center, and 28 schools, out of 112 UNRWA schools in Syria. Other education facilities have been turned into prisons or field hospitals, imperiling Palestinians' academic careers.

In the meantime, UNRWA has transferred cash grants of 35,1 Jordanian dinars to Palestinian refugees from Syria (PRS) in Jordan.

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, Palestinian refugees and other migrants sheltered in a migrant camp set up on the Greek island of Kos have been subjected to a dire humanitarian situation.

Living conditions are abject in the substandard migrant facility, where caravans are vastly overcrowded, unhygienic and violence-prone.

Migrants are denied access out of and into the area as the camp is engulfed by barbed wire from all sides.

Over recent years, Greece's refugee camps have been running at four or five times their capacities, with tens of thousands of migrants crammed into poorly-equipped tents.



Palestinian refugees from Syria continue to risk their lives onboard the “death boats” to Greece. Activists estimate that around 4,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria are taking shelter on Greek islands.