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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Palestinians from Syria in Jordan Gripped with Abject Situation"

- Yarmouk Camp's Northern Thoroughfare Unblocked
- UNRWA Pays Visit to Ramadan Camp for Palestinian Refugees in Rif Dimashq
- Syrian Gov't Stipulates Consent of Recruitment Branches over Travel Permits



Latest Developments

Over 17,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria in Jordan have been categorized as vulnerable due to their precarious legal status and exacerbated living conditions.

The majority of Palestinians from Syria entered Jordan through illegal routes as a result of the closed-door immigration policy pursued by the Jordanian authorities.

Several Palestinians who fled Syria for fear of being killed under shelling and the blockade have also been shorn of their right to legal stays, health care, and job opportunities in Jordan.



The swift price hike, steep rental fees, and daily crackdowns, along with the apathy maintained by the concerned international and Palestinian bodies as regards the crisis, have added insult to the injury.

Meanwhile, activists said access roads have been opened and sand barriers removed near the main entrances to Yarmouk Camp and Street 30 after authorities embarked on debris clearance in the area.



A member of the Charity Commission for Relief of Palestinian People said the measure makes part of first-phase works launched following consent by the local authorities.



Eye-witnesses denied claims that debris has been removed from Yarmouk, saying only such neighborhoods as AlBatikha and the roads leading to AlBawaba area have benefited from the measure.

Sometime earlier, Palestinian factions in Damascus called on the Syrian president to issue instructions to clear rubble from Yarmouk and smooth families' return to their homes.

In the meantime, a senior UNRWA delegation and representatives of the General Commission of Refugees visited on Monday Palestinian refugee communities in AlRamadan Camp, in Rif Dimashq, in an attempt to keep tabs on the agency's facilities in the area.

The delegation paid a visit to the central water tank, UNRWA's office and clinic, along with the UNRWA-run Maaloul School, and took note of civilians' demands and needs.



In the meantime, Syria's Immigration and Passport Department ruled that in order for young men aged between 17 and 42 to gain access out of Syria a travel permit should be issued by the local military recruitment branches to that end.

Pro-government sources said the decision entered into effect immediately and without prior notices, sparking seething tension at airports and border offices. Hundreds of passengers were banned from travelling after the new rule got enforced.

Every applicant should fulfill time-consuming red tape and shell out 50,000 Syrian Pounds, before showing up again at the recruitment branch to apply for the travel permit.

The authorities' consent is valid for three months. If issued, the travel document must get renewed every three months.

First-time applicants, including holders of new passports or foreign visas, often end up getting their demands green-lighted.