

الخاص بأوضاع اللجئين الفلسطينيينفي سورية The situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

### Palestinian Refugee Pronounced Dead in War-Torn Syria

- Palestinian Refugees in Syria Severely Affected by Decade-Long Conflict
- Palestinian Refugees in Northern Syria Launch Cry for Help with Advent of Winter
- War-Wounded Palestinian Refugees Struggling for Survival in Northern Syria Displacement Camps

### Daily report on the situation of Palestinians refugees in Syria

#### **Latest Developments**

Palestinian-Syrian refugee Ahmad Ali Falaha, born in 2001, was pronounced dead on November 06, 2022.

Ahmad, a resident of Deraa Camp, south of Syria, was killed as he fought alongside opposition groups against ISIS terrorists in the southern Syrian province of Deraa.

AGPS data indicates that 268 Palestinian refugees sheltered in Deraa Camp have been pronounced dead since the outburst of the conflict in Syria. The list includes 134 refugees who died under shelling.

Meanwhile, the eleven-year Syrian war has had a tragic impact on Palestinian refugees sheltered in the country.

Unemployment, debts, high levels of poverty, overcrowded dwellings, food insecurity, loss of livelihoods, and economic hardship have had a heavy toll on the Palestinian refugee community in the war-torn country.

According to UNRWA, the full humanitarian impact of the conflict remains impossible to catalog. Once again, Palestine refugees found themselves engulfed in a cycle of conflict and displacement that exacerbates their underlying vulnerability. The tide of human suffering unleashed by the conflict has catastrophic implications.

UN data indicates that over half of the Palestine refugees in the country have been displaced at least once because of the brutal conflict that ensued, including 120,000 who have sought safety in neighboring countries, mainly Lebanon and Jordan, and beyond.

Once a vibrant community of over 550,000 people, Palestinians had come to Syria in two main waves in 1948 and 1967 to settle in 12 camps across the country. Yarmouk, the most famous of the Palestine refugee camps, became known as "the capital of Palestine refugees."

438,000 Palestine refugees remain in the country – 91 per cent of whom live in absolute poverty - and who have been among those worst affected by the conflict.



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PRS continue to launch cries for help over their deteriorating humanitarian condition due to the sharp decrease in the exchange rate of the Syrian pound compared to the USD and their lack of access to the local labor market. The price leap has also overburdened the cash-stripped refugees. House rents have also seen a striking hike from previous years.

Over 80% of PRS live in extreme poverty and rely on humanitarian assistance as their main source of income. 86% of PRS households are reported to be in debt.

Along similar lines, hundreds of displaced Palestinian families taking refuge in northern Syria continue to raise concerns over their fate as a freezing winter season has been just around the corner.

The families continue to lash out at the apathy maintained by UNRWA, the Palestinian Authority, the Palestine Liberation Organization, and all other local and international bodies regarding their tragic situation.

Palestinian refugees sheltered in Idlib, AlMuhammadiya Camp, and Deir Ballout Camp, in northern Syria have been enduring a tragic situation. Most of them have been crammed in poorly-equipped tents and denied their rights to vital services.

Last year, tents have been flooded with water as torrential downpours have swamped Palestinian refugee camps in Afrin, north of Syria.

Pictures and videos circulated on social media showed dozens of tents as being swamped by rain deluges while children appear to be shivering of cold.

Hundreds of Palestinian families have been struggling for survival in the poorly-equipped Deir Ballout and Muhammadiya camps, after they were forced out of Yarmouk and southern Damascus towns. For many displaced Palestinian refugees, the perils of winter weather add to the torment already experienced throughout the conflict.

In the meantime, Palestinian refugees who have been wounded in war-torn Syria continue to sound distress signals over their abject humanitarian conditions.



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In Khan Dannun refugee camp alone, at least 100 Palestinian refugees sustained war-inflicted wounds.

A number of wounded refugees have gone hemiplegic while others got their leg amputated. Post-traumatic stress disorders, mental psychosis, sleeplessness, nightmares, and eating disorders have also been among the dangerous consequences of the war.