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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Palestinian Refugees in Lebanon Appeal for Urgent Humanitarian Action"

- Syrian Authorities Greenlight Return to Yarmouk Camp
- Residents of AlHusainiya Camp Denounce Bread Crisis
- Harassment against Schoolgirls Reported in Palestinian Refugee Camp in Syria



Latest Developments

Palestinian refugees displaced from Syria in Lebanon have called on international humanitarian organizations and human rights institutions to take urgent action in response to the dire socioeconomic condition and abject poverty they have been grappling with in the Lebanese territories.

The refugees denounced UNRWA's latest decision to cut aid for PRS and suspend shelter and food grants.

AGPS media chef Fayez Abu Eid said the latest UNRWA decision to cut aid for PRS is a sign of apathy regarding the abject humanitarian condition already endured by PRS in displacement camps across the Lebanese territories.

The decision is also a serious breach of UNRWA's humanitarian mission as mandated by the UN and the Agency's promise to assist Palestinian refugees in its five fields of operation, including Lebanon.

Abu Eid called PRS families in Lebanon to keep up their protest moves and speak up for their rights pending their return to their homeland.

Starting 2022, UNRWA decided that multi-purpose monthly cash grants of 100 USD to every registered family be reduced to 25 USD per person.



A number of NGOs leveled heavy criticism at the Agency, saying the new measures would result in further despair for PRS.

In another development, local sources told AGPS that families' return to Yarmouk Camp has become a more feasible endeavour.

Engineer Mohamed Salman said permits are rapidly granted by the security branch of Street 30 to families wishing to regain access to their homes and retrieve their property.

Salman said families applying for return should present their ownership documents, personal photo, and the owner's family statement.

Meanwhile, residents of AlHusainiya Camp for Palestinian refugees, in Rif Dimashq, have sounded distress signals over the bread crisis in the area due to new distribution mechanisms implemented by the Ministry of Supply and Internal Trade in Syria.

A number of residents told AGPS that dozens of civilians continue to line up on a quasi-daily basis in long queues and in cold weather outside of local bakeries. Bread packs have been secretly sold on the black market at three times their real price.

A two-family member receives only two bread packs every three days, forcing civilians to purchase them from the black market at 1,500 Syrian pounds a pack.

In the meantime, residents of Khan Dannun camp for Palestinian refugees in Rif Dimashq have denounced the verbal harassment



perpetrated against schoolgirls in the vicinities of mixed secondary schools.

A local shopkeeper said instances of verbal harassment have been spotted around the clock in the area and called on the Syrian authorities to deploy security forces around schools to protect children and schoolgirls.

An instructor said verbal harassment against schoolgirls includes, but is not limited to, the use of profanity, loud or boisterous remarks, inappropriate speech, inappropriate suggestive conduct or body movements or comments that are derogatory in nature, tasteless sexually-oriented comments, and slurs.

The warfare in Syria, which has now entered its eleventh year, has had traumatic fallouts on Palestinian refugee children in and outside the Syrian territories.

Post-traumatic stress disorders, mental psychosis, sleeplessness and nightmares, eating disorders, and intense fear have all been among the symptoms with which Palestinian children have been diagnosed.

AGPS renews its calls to the international community, human rights institutions, UNICEF, UNRWA, and all concerned bodies to work on protecting Palestinian children in embattled Syria and provide those who fled the war-torn country with physical and moral protection in the host countries.