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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"The Syrian regime continues to cut off water from Deraa camp for Palestinian refugees in the south of Syria"

- A Syrian soldier killed in Yarmouk camp after the explosion of a washing machine
- The Palestinian-Syrian Authority for Relief and Development prepares ambulances for the displaced in the Deir Balout camp, north Syria
- The Syrian regime continues to detain Palestinian "Hossam Ali Rifai" for about five years
- Dozens of Palestinian-Syrian refugees receive the Swedish citizenship
- Distribution of Iftar meals to a number of families in the Handarat camp



## **Latest Developments**

The residents of Deraa camp for Palestinian refugees are suffering from the continued water cuts from their homes, which have long led them to rely on the water of the Artesian wells to secure drinking water and water for use, regardless of its suitability for use. The wells are the only option available to the camp's residents.

For their part, experts told the Action Group for Palestinians and Syria that some of these wells, which the residents depend on, could cause kidney diseases, especially with the continuous use of them for long periods of time. They contain a high percentage of sediments and are not subject to any type of health treatment.



In another context, "Tayser Shahin," a member of the Syrian regime army, died of the injuries he sustained last Monday, following the explosion of a washing machine he was trying to steal from one of the houses in the vicinity of the Yarmouk High School in Jalal Kaoush Street, along with another soldier, who is in an unstable condition in Al-Mojtahed Hospital.

Members of the regime's army robbed, stole and looted the houses of civilians in Yarmouk camp, after the regime regained control of it on May 21.



Meanwhile, the Palestinian-Syrian Authority for Relief and Development confirmed that it prepared an ambulance, dedicated to the medical point in the Deir Balout camp, north Syria, with the aim of providing health care services to the Palestinians and Syrians forcibly displaced to northern Syria.

The Authority explained that this step came in light of the lack of medical services provided inside the camp, and the increase in health conditions that need to be transferred to hospitals, noting that it is providing all the medical supplies and medicines needed by the medical point in the camp.



On their part, the displaced expressed their concern over the lives of dozens of ill patients in the camp due to the poor medical services and the availability of only some, simple services that are not sufficient to maintain the lives of the patients, especially those with chronic diseases, such as heart and kidney disease, which require ongoing treatment. Two deaths have been recorded inside the camp, resulting from the lack of services and medical care. Palestinian refugee "Mohanad Sekhneny" died immediately of a heart attack.



On June 2, more than 100 children were affected by diarrhea due to high temperatures and the lack of potable water.

The Deir Balout camp, which is located near to Jandaris in Afrin, north of Syria, lacks many basic services, while the displaced people complain about the lack of water and food, coupled with the acute shortage of medical services.

In another context, the Syrian regime continues to detain Palestinian refugee "Hossam Ali Rifai" born in 1988 and resident of Yarmouk camp, for almost five consecutive years. The members of the regime's security at the Mashrou Damr checkpoint in Damascus, detained him on 15-05-2013 without any known reason for his arrest.

AGPS receives a number of messages and information about the detained Palestinians. They are then documented despite the difficulty of recording information because the Syrian regime continues to hide the fate, names and locations of the detainees. The Group has recorded the detention of 1674 Palestinian refugees in the Syrian regime prisons, including 106 women.

In Sweden, dozens of Palestinian-Syrian refugees were granted the Swedish citizenship after completing the necessary period of time required to obtain it. The Palestinian-Syrian refugees who have completed their presence in Sweden for four years can apply for Swedish citizenship. Until now, Sweden does not require any other conditions to grant its citizenship, while giving it directly to Palestinian-Syrian children born in Sweden, provided that one of their parents is a permanent resident in Sweden.



The Swedish Immigration Service also reported that there was a steady increase in the number of people with Swedish citizenship, and that the largest groups celebrating the Swedish citizenship were Syrians and stateless persons.

## **Local Work Committees**

As part of its "Forget Hunger" Project, "Saaed" Foundation distributed Iftar meals to a number of Palestinian families living in the Handarat camp for Palestinian refugees in Aleppo, in order to alleviate the suffering of the people and lend them a helping hand.

Handarat camp was severely damaged by the heavy shelling of its homes during the past months, following violent clashes between the regime and the armed Syrian opposition groups, which ended with the regime imposing total control over the camp and the city of Aleppo.

