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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Palestinian Refugee Detained in Istanbul for over 35 Days"

- Displaced Families in Jaramana Camp Rail against Bread Dearth
- Palestinian Group Fighting alongside Syria's Gov't Forces in Hama
- Situation of Palestinian Refugees in AlMuzeireeb Exacerbated by Lake Drought
- Scholarships Granted to Palestinian Students in Pakistan



Latest Developments

Activists have launched appeals for releasing Palestinian refugee Nour AlDeen Mahmoud, who has been detained by the Turkish authorities for 35 consecutive days.

Activists and the refugee's relatives called the concerned NGO and official institutions to hold contacts with the Turkish authorities so as to release Nour AlDeen and all other refugees detained in Turkey.



Recently, Turkish police stepped down crackdowns and abduction sweeps, targeting irregular migrants and non-holders of the kimlik visa card in Istanbul.

Nearly 2,400 Palestinian families from Syria have sought shelter in Turkey, including 1,200 families in Istanbul, where they have been facing an abject situation.

In another development, residents of Jaramana Camp for Palestinian refugees in Rif Dimashq spoke out against the poorquality of bread sold in the area.

The residents said they have been forced to lineup outside of the local oven for hours in order to get a loaf of bread. Dozens of



families have been forced to walk for several kilometers to fetch bread for their starved children.

The locals said bread is unfit for human consumption, holding the government's control staff responsible for the crisis. Others spoke out against the insufficient quantity allotted to the camp, saying shopkeepers have been buying large quantities of bread and selling it to civilians at high prices.



Residents of Jaramana Camp, located a few kilometers away from central Damascus, continue to set off alarm bells over the lack of basic services and dire socio-economic conditions rocking the area as a result of the steep rental fees, high rates of unemployment, and price hike.

The absence of relief assistance by UNRWA and other humanitarian institutions has made life unbearable in Jaramana Camp.

Meanwhile, the Free Palestine Movement, affiliated with the Syrian government, said on Facebook that it has been involved in fierce shootouts while fighting alongside the government battalions in AlZakat town, in Hama's suburbs, as appears in live photos released by the brigade.



Sometime earlier, the armed group said it dispatched gunmen to fight alongside the Syrian government in Deir AlZor, north of Syria, among other tension-stricken zones.

Shortly after the outburst of the deadly warfare, the Syrian government forced Palestinian refugees aged 18 and above to join affiliated militias.

Those who refuse conscription are subjected to crackdowns, abductions and even executions. As a result, thousands fled the tension-stricken country in the hunt for a safer shelter.



AlMzeireeb community, south of Syria, has been grappling with an acute dearth in drinking water after the local lake—the sole water supplier for hundreds of families in the area—has dried out as a result of the uncontrolled excavation of artesian water wells.

The manipulation of water prices by the well owners has made the situation far worse for AlMzeireeb community.

AlMuzeireeb is home to 1,700 Palestinian families, who have been enduring dire conditions due to the tough blockade and swift price surge.



In the meantime, the Department of Education and Higher Education of the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) in Damascus announced the availability of scholarships for Palestinian refugees in Pakistan for the academic year 2019/2020.

Five-year scholarships will be granted to students who seek to specialize in human medicine, pharmacy, or dentistry and who earned a score of 80%.

Students wishing to join the engineering branch should have acquired a score of 75% in order to receive a four-year grant at all universities, except for the Lahore University, where students are required to study for one additional preparatory year.

Concerned applicants should consult the PLO's official website for further clarification.