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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"AGPS: Health Situation of Palestinian Refugees Taking Turn for Worse in War-Torn Syria"

- UNRWA Delegation Visits Handarat Camp for Palestinian Refuges
- Palestinians from Syria Face Dire Conditions upon Return to Besieged Gaza Strip
- Palestinian Refugee Falah AlHaras Forcibly Disappeared by Syrian Gov't for 7th Year



Latest Developments

The health situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria has remarkably exacerbated as a result of the unabated tensions rocking the Syrian territories since March 2011.

In a report issued in April 2018, on the occasion of the International Health Day, AGPS put the spotlight on the health situation in Palestinian refugee camps in the war-ragged Syrian territories.



According to the report, daily scenes of bloodshed and destruction led to deteriorating conditions. The study kept record of serious violations against medics, paramedics, and ambulances by the different warring parties in Syria. Wounded civilians, expectant woman, elderly people, and hundreds of humanitarian cases have faced severe difficulties trying to reach hospitals and medical centers.

At the same time, heavy damage has been wrought on medical equipment in Palestinian refugee camps and shelters as a result of the deadly onslaughts, burglary attacks, and property-



theft assaults carried out against hospitals, clinics, and pharmacies.

AGPS documented flagrant violations against wounded civilians and medical crews. These include extra-judicial killing, abduction, crackdowns, movement restrictions, and torture in jail.

Lists of dozens of medics and paramedics who have been killed, detained, forcibly disappeared, or tortured to death in Syria figure in AGPS' archives.

AGPS reiterates its calls to the Syrian government and all other concerned parties to protect medics and paramedics carrying out humanitarian missions in tension-stricken zones.

Meanwhile, a UNRWA delegation and director of the General Authority for Palestinian Arab Refugees paid a visit to Handarat Camp, north of Syria, on April 8, 2019, in an attempt to keep tabs on local premises and amenities.



Local activists called on the concerned bodies, most notably UNRWA, to make urgent steps so as to reconstruct their homes



and rehabilitate the infrastructure, which sustained massive destruction as a result of the heavy shelling and bloody shootouts between the Syrian government forces and opposition outfits.

Families who have regained access to their homes in Daraa Camp have been grappling with acute water and power crises. Poor infrastructure and the absence of basic services have made the situation far more alarming.

Along the same line, thousands of Palestinian refugees from Syria who returned to the blockaded Gaza Strip have been enduring dire living conditions due to the 12-year-long Israeli siege and the devastating upshots of the Israeli onslaughts on the coastal enclave.

The Palestinians of Syria in Gaza attributed the crisis to the apathy maintained by the human rights institutions, most notably the UNRWA and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Civilians continue to launch cries for help over the high rates of unemployment, lack of financial resources, and movement crackdowns, which they said have made life quite unbearable in Gaza.

The offensives launched by the Israeli military on Gaza have turned the enclave into a hell on earth as most families have lost their sources of incomes, homes, and property. The lack of relief assistance has added bad to worse.



In the meantime, Palestinian refugee Falah AlHaras, from Khan Eshieh Camp, has been secretly locked up in Syrian state prisons for the seventh consecutive year.

Falah was arrested by Syrian intelligence officers on October 29, 2012. His condition and whereabouts have been shrouded in mystery.

The gag orders enforced by the Syrian authorities on the names and whereabouts of forcibly disappeared persons have sparked deep concern over the condition of hundreds of civilians secretly locked up in Syrian state dungeons.

AGPS documented the incarceration of 1,739 Palestinians in Syrian government jails, among them over 107 women and dozens of children.