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## الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية

Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Palestinian Refugee Fatally Shot South of Syria"

- Property-Theft Ongoing in Syria's Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian Refugees
- Palestinian Child in Need of Urgent Treatment in Lebanon
- Palestinian Refugee Mohamed Diab Forcibly Disappeared in Syria for 5th Year
- Humanitarian Aid Items Distributed to Palestinian Refugees in Lebanon's Displacement Camps



## **Latest Developments**

Palestinian refugee Mohamed Basem AlMutleq was assassinated by anonymous gunmen outside of his home in AlMuzeireeb town, in Daraa's western outskirts, south of Syria.

Reporting from southern Damascus, an AGPS news correspondent said there have been conflicting reports about the cause of death. Opposition squads in Syria have accused him of pro-government affiliation in the war-torn country.



Over recent years, Palestinians taking shelter in AlMuzeireeb town have expressed deep concern over the security situation in the area after assassination attempts have increasingly emerged in the area.

AGPS has documented the death of dozens of Palestinian refugees in AlMuzeireeb town, home to 1,700 Palestinian families displaced from Daraa Camp.

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Activists have warned that civilian property has been subjected to theft and homes to burglary in Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian refugees, in Damascus.



"Coronavirus has put the entire world out of action and paralyzed everybody's movement, except for thieve's motion in Yarmouk Camp", said an activist on Facebook.

He added that he caught sight of flocks of vehicles laden with belongings stolen from abandoned buildings in the camp.

Over recent years, pro-government militias have been raking through evacuated homes in Yarmouk and holding sway over furniture, copper, iron, and kitchenware belonging to displaced families.

Reports of theft have emerged after Syrian government forces grabbed hold of the camp and burglarized civilian homes.



The Syrian government forces regained control over Yarmouk Camp and southern Damascus towns following a 33-day military operation launched in April 2018. Dozens of civilians were killed and dozens more injured in the offensive. Over 60% of buildings have gone either totally or partially destroyed in the warfare.

Palestinian families displaced from Yarmouk Camp continue to call on the concerned authorities to allow them a safe return to their homes and to press ahead with reconstruction projects.



In another development, the family of a displaced Palestinian girl from Syria in Lebanon's AlBekaa region has appealed to the national and international humanitarian institutions to help them secure sums of money needed to purchase insulin for their diabetic child.

The 17-year-old girl is diagnosed with type 1 diabetes, known as juvenile diabetes or insulin-dependent diabetes, which is a chronic condition in which the pancreas produces little or no insulin. Insulin doses are, therefore, needed to allow sugar (glucose) to enter cells to produce energy.

Her father said she needs 12 insulin pens every single month, a dose that costs up to \$250 per month.

The UN has identified Palestinian refugees in Lebanon as one of the most marginalized and poorest communities in the region as they continue to face high marginalization, making them heavily reliant on humanitarian support to cover their basic needs. The socioeconomic hardships and unrest experienced by the country have compounded the refugees' already dire living conditions.

The majority of the Palestinian refugee population in Lebanon live in poverty and are unable to meet even their most essential food requirements. The refugees' vulnerability is further compounded by their lack of access to healthcare facilities.

Meanwhile, Palestinian refugee Mohamed Shahda Diab, born in 1986, has been enduring a mysterious fate in Syrian government prisons for the fifth consecutive year.



Mohamed's family continues to appeal for information over his condition and whereabouts.

AGPS has documented the secret detention of 1,794 Palestinian refugees, including women and minors, in Syrian government lock-ups.

In the meantime, Palestinian resistance movement Hamas has handed over 300 food baskets to poor and vulnerable Palestinian families displaced from Syria to Ein AlHilweh camp, south of Lebanon.

Activists also distributed 120 bread bundles to displaced Palestinian and Syrian families in AlMiya wa Miya refugee camp, in the southern Lebanese city of Sidon.

Head of the Committee of Displaced Families, Mohamed Qaddoura, has launched calls for boosting in-kind and cash assistance to Palestinian refugees in Lebanon amid the total quarantine imposed across the country.

Nearly 28,000 Palestinians from Syria have sought refuge in Lebanon, where they have been enduring exacerbated living conditions and subjected to a precarious legal status.

