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"Over 189 Palestinians in Yarmouk Camp in Need of Urgent Medical Referrals"



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Latest Developments

Over 189 Palestinian refugees stranded in the besieged Yarmouk Camp are in urgent need of medical referrals so as to receive life-saving therapy over lethal diseases infecting their bodies.

The list of patients included 31 cancer-stricken Palestinians and 78 people with cardio-vascular disorders, along with 20 people with fractures. 18 more refugees suffer kidney and liver diseases while 14 are diagnosed with epilepsy eight others with asthma. 11 more refugees suffer paralysis in their limbs.



AGPS appeals to all concerned bodies to work on securing urgent medical treatment to Yarmouk's trapped patients and to allow them free access into nearby towns to receive much-needed medical checks.

AGPS also calls on UNRWA to take up its responsibilities as regards the sick Palestinian refugees in war-torn Syria.

A tough cordon has been slapped on Yarmouk Camp by the Syrian regime army and their affiliated groups since 1,485 consecutive days. ISIS



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militias have also grabbed hold of large parts of the camp since early April 2015.

In another development, AGPS statistics released on the eve of the World Humanitarian Day kept record of the death of 3,558 Palestinians and incarceration of over 1,600 others in the beleaguered Syrian territories.



Palestinian medics and relief activists have also been permanently targeted by the Syrian government forces on claims of assisting opposition affiliates. Several relief workers and volunteers died under torture in government lock-ups.

According to doctor Omar Mheibash, the list of Palestinian medics who were tortured to death in Syrian government prisons included: Surgeon Nizar Jawdat Kassab, from Yarmouk Camp; gynecologic physician Mahmoud Hamarna, from Yarmouk; Radi Saleh Abu Shakoush, from Khan AlSeih Camp; Yasser AlTarabulsi; anesthetist Maw'ed AlMaw'ed, activist Udai Qadoura, from the Palestine Charity Commission, and Mohamed Khaled Noufel, from Khan AlSheih Camp.



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The list of missing medics included general surgeon Hayel Kasem Hamid, aged 67. Hamid is a member of the General Surgery Department at AlAssad University Hospital. Palestinian neurosurgeon Alaa AlDeen Youssef and another Palestinian refugee—Malek Mohamed Youssef—also figure on the list. Youssef, a dentistry graduate, was kidnapped by the government forces from Damascus University on May 23, 2013.

Medical staff and structures in besieged Yarmouk Camp came under heavy shelling by the government squads. Dozens of doctors, pharmacists, and paramedics have been pronounced dead in the raging warfare, among them Ahmed Nawaf AlHassan and Khaled AlKhalidi. Dozens more were kidnapped and executed by ISIS.

Relief activists Yahya Abdullah Hourani Abu Suhaib, Mohamed Areisha, Abu AlAbd Khalil, Bahaa AlAmin, Mustafa AlShar'an, and Firas AlNaji were also assassinated in Yarmouk Camp.

Several relief institutions have gone out of operation after ISIS crept into the camp in early April 2015.

Meanwhile, 6,000 displaced Palestinian families seeking refuge in Qudsaya town, in Rural Damascus, have launched cries for help over the abject living conditions they have been made to endure in the area due to the price hike, high unemployment rates, and the decline in civilians' purchasing power. High rental fees have added bad to worse.

A Palestinian refugee spoke out against the increase in rental fees following the retreat of the opposition battalions from the area.



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"I used to pay 25,000 Syrian Liras (some \$50) before the retreat of the opposition outfits. However, as soon as government troops broke into Qudsaya and lifted the blockade, the house owners notified us that they expect up to 70,000 S.L per month," he told AGPS.

In the meantime, Kuwait has donated a sum of USD 2.2 million to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) as part of its annual financial aid to support the UN organization.

Kuwait's Ambassador to Jordan Dr. Hamad AlDuaji said the financial aid represents an earnest desire to help out the Palestinian refugee community.

Palestinians of Syria: August 19, 2017 Statistics:

- At least 3,558 Palestinians, including 462 women, were killed in war-torn Syria.
- 1,628 Palestinian refugees, including 103 women, are incarcerated in Syrian government lock-ups.
- Yarmouk refugee camp has been blockaded by the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine General Command (PFLP-GC) for 1,485 days in a row.
- 197 Palestinians died of undernourishment and medical neglect in the blockaded Yarmouk Camp.
- Water supplies cut off in Deraa and Yarmouk camps respectively for 1,224 and 1,073 days.



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- Residents of Handarat Camp, in Aleppo, denied access to their homes for 1,567 days. Government battalions have been holding sway over the camp for more than 320 days.
- Nearly 85,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria fled to Europe until the end of 2016.
- 31,000 Palestinians from Syria are housed in Lebanon.
- 17,000 Palestinians from Syria are taking refuge in Jordan.
- 6,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are sheltered in Egypt.
- 8,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are taking shelter in Turkey.
- 1,000 Palestinian-Syrian refugees are sheltered in the blockaded Gaza Strip.