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Latest Developments

Family of Palestinian refugee from Syria Mohamed Abdul Aziz Akilah, born in 1993, has appealed to the international humanitarian and human rights organizations to work on disclosing the fate of their son who has been gone missing in an opposition-held zone for the third consecutive month.

Mohamed's brother told AGPS that the family has lost contact with him since August 23, 2020, as he tried to enter the Turkish territories.

The brother added that Mohamed was arrested by the Free Syrian Army in Jarablus on the Syrian-Turkish borders. His condition and whereabouts have been shrouded in mystery.

Along similar lines, Palestinian refugee from Syria Mohamed Jamal Abdul Karim Mansour died on November 21 of coronavirus.

The victim fled Yarmouk Camp in Syria in 2012 and sought shelter in Shatila refugee camp in Beirut.

Last Tuesday, the Lebanese authorities ordered a full 15-day lockdown across the country to prevent further coronavirus propagation.

Meanwhile, Palestinian refugees and activists have called on the concerned authorities to enhance healthcare services from Palestinians from Syria in Lebanon.



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The refugees slammed the complicated red tape imposed by Lebanese hospital administrations and UNRWA-run health centres in the country.

They further slammed the mistreatment they have been facing by UNRWA staffers.

According to information collected by UNRWA, more than 80 per cent of PRS indicate that the Agency's cash assistance is their main source of income. 95 per cent of PRS are food insecure, while about 89 per cent of PRS live in poverty. 36 to 57 per cent of PRS youth face unemployment. In August and September 2019, UNRWA conducted a verification exercise of PRS in Lebanon and verified the physical presence of 27,803 PRS in the country.

The number of PRS in Lebanon has been gradually decreasing over the past two years, and UNRWA estimates that in 2020 the country will continue to host approximately 27,700 PRS (8,450 families). UNRWA said PRS's vulnerability is further compounded by their precarious legal status. According to the Agency's monitoring data, around 55 percent of PRS do not possess valid legal residency documents.

The lack of a valid legal status, often coupled with outdated civil registration documents, results in severely restricted freedom of movement for some PRS in Lebanon due to fear of arrest, detention and being issued a departure order.



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In the meantime, Palestinian refugee Mohamed Ahmed AlKurdi, born in 1990, has been secretly held in Syrian government jails since July 30, 2015.

Mohamed was kidnapped by pro-government militias in Hama while on his way to AlRaml Camp for Palestine refugees, in Latakia. His condition and whereabouts remain unidentified.

AGPS documented the secret detention of over 1,790 Palestinian refugees in Syria's state-run penitentiaries, where hundreds of others have also been fatally tortured.

In another development, the Popular Committee for Palestinians from Syria in Lebanon's western and central AlBekaa region distributed 400 bread packs to displaced Palestinian families from Syria.

The majority of Palestinian refugees in Lebanon live in poverty and are food insecure.

Nearly 28,000 Palestinian refugees from Syria have sought shelter in Lebanon, where they have been subjected to a precarious legal status and dire socio-economic conditions owing to their lack of access to vital services, particularly health care.