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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Syria's Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian Refugees Gripped with Abject Conditions"

- Palestinian Refugee Dies of Torture in Syrian Gov't Jail
- Palestinian Refugee Mohamed Falaha Forcibly Disappeared in Syria
- UNRWA: 1,500 Palestinian Refugees Received Vocational Training in Syria



Victims

Palestinian refugee Alaa Ibrahim AlSaytari, aged 27, was tortured to death in Syrian state jails.

A resident of AlMuzeireeb, south of Syria, Alaa reportedly breathed his last on October 6, 2015, following one year and a half in detention.

AGPS documented the death of 587 Palestinian refugees, including dozens of women and minors, due to harsh torture in Syrian penal complexes.



Latest Developments

Palestinian families taking refuge in Yarmouk Camp continue to launch cries for help over their exacerbated situation due to the price hike, high unemployment rates, steep rental fees, and the decline in civilians' purchasing power.

The unabated warfare has had disastrous fallouts on Palestinian refugee camps across the Syrian territories. Palestinians who remained in Yarmouk or returned to the camp sometime later have



been struggling for survival, in an area that has been severely affected by the deadly hostilities.

Over recent years, most of Yarmouk's families lived on the aids handed over to them by UNRWA.

Civilians continue to appeal to the concerned authorities to speed up reconstruction works and rehabilitate infrastructure and vital facilities, including water and power networks.



Thousands of Palestinian refugees were forced out of Yarmouk Camp after the Syrian fighter jets struck the area in late 2012. Dozens were killed and hundreds wounded in the onslaught. The situation went downhill after ISIS militias grabbed hold of the camp in April 2015 and closed off vital thoroughfares to the area.

In another development, the family of Palestinian refugee Ismail Mohamed Falaha continues to appeal for information over their son's condition and whereabouts.

Falaha, born in Daraa Camp in 1987, was arrested by Syrian security forces in Daraa in September 2011 and sent to a government detention center. His fate has been shrouded in mystery.



AGPS calls on the Syrian government to disclose the fate of hundreds of Palestinians forcibly disappeared in state-run dungeons.

AGPS believes that the arbitrary internment of Palestinian refugees in war-torn Syria amounts to a war crime.

Many reports issued by AGPS, such as "Enforced Disappearance 1," "Enforced Disappearance 2," and the "Pictures Massacre," provide details about the Palestinian victims of torture and enforced disappearance during the bloody conflict.

Over 540 Palestinian refugees, including 34 women and dozens of minors, died under torture in Syrian government lock-ups. 77 causalities were identified through live snapshots leaked from Syrian penal complexes. Dozens of Syrian nationals have endured a similar fate.

AGPS kept record of several cases where Palestinians have been kidnapped at government checkpoints or during assaults carried out by government troops on Palestinian refugee camps and shelters. In most such cases, the detainees' families receive their relatives' bodies from a military or government hospital while wrapped up in a plastic bag or in a blood-tainted piece of cloth.

Meanwhile, UNRWA said it is able to provide vocational training opportunities for more than 1,500 Palestine refugees in Syria thanks to the generous contributions of donors like the European Union.



According to the UN refugee agency, vocational training has proven to be a vital lifeline in a region deeply affected the conflict in Syria, which in 2019 has entered its eighth year.

UNRWA also said that its vocational centers play an active role in ensuring that their graduates find employment once they graduate. One of the most successful ways to ensure this is to offer on-the job training.

UNRWA provided vocational training to 1,500 Palestine refugees in 2018. Funding from donors including the European Union has also allowed the Agency to introduce new short courses, such as hairdressing and welding.

Vocational training courses include mechatronics, air-conditioning (AC) maintenance, sewing, computer maintenance, plumbing, and car electricity, along with medical, information, and engineering specialties.

