

الخاص بأوضاع اللاجئين الفلسطينيين في سورية The situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria

**Reconstruction of Yarmouk Refugee Camp in Syria Obstructed** 

- Another Palestinian Refugee Killed Under Torture in Syrian Prisons
- UNRWA Starts Reconstruction of School, Clinic in Yarmouk Camp
- Palestinian Refugee Missing in Syria

## Daily report on the situation of Palestinians refugees in Syria

## **Latest Developments**

Facts on the ground prove that the Syrian regime has been manipulating Yarmouk Camp reconstruction file to blackmail Palestinian factions and refugees in the war-torn country.

Over recent years, the Syrian government stipulated that the Palestine Embassy in Damascus remove debris from residential alleyways and pay the required sums.

UNRWA's funding deficit along with the failure of Palestinian factions to take charge of the reconstruction file have impeded the return of families to the camp. At the same time, mismanagement by Damascus Governorate and absence of serious action regarding property-theft have added bad to worse.

According to the local reconstruction committee, nearly 60% of buildings are uninhabitable, including 20% which have been completely destroyed in the conflict.

Along similar lines, UNRWA launched works to reconstruct AlFalouja School. Works are slated to be finalized by September 2023.

UNRWA education chief Walid AlKurdi said on Facebook that the Agency has also started the reconstruction of a youth development centre thanks to contributions from the government of Spain. The facility will be turned into a clinic.

Yarmouk camp, once home to 160,000 Palestine refugees, sustained severe destruction due to the conflict. Despite heavy damage to a majority of UNRWA service installations,1 4,000 refugees have returned to the camp and lack basic services.

In another development, Palestinian young man Mahmoud Deib Mahmoud disappeared from AlRaml Camp, in Latakia.

According to AGPS data, 333 Palestinian refugees from Syria, including 37 women and girls, have gone missing since the outbreak of the Syrian warfare.

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In the meantime, Palestinian refugee Fadi Omar Azizi has died under torture in a Syrian regime prison.

An ex-prisoner who was released in May 2022, said Fadi, a resident of Jdeidat Artouz, in Rif Dimashq, was reported dead in Sednaya military prison.

AGPS has documented the death of over 640 Palestinian refugees in Syria's state-run penal complexes since the outbreak of the conflict in 2011.

AGPS estimates the real number to be far higher due to the gag orders slapped by the Syrian government on the detainees' names and fates, along with the families' reluctance to report such cases over retaliation concerns.

Affidavits by ex-detainees have provided evidence on the involvement of Syrian government officers in harsh torture tactics, including electric shocks, heavy beating using whips and iron sticks, and sexual abuse against Palestinian prisoners, in a flagrant violation of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, commonly known as the United Nations Convention against Torture (UNCAT).