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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Number of Palestinian refugees who have died in Syria rises to 3686 victims"

- Palestinian "Ahmed Kanan Al-Jahwany" dies in the eastern Ghouta clashes
- Syrian regime continues to detain three refugees from the Khan Al-Sheih camp for more than a month
- Palestinian refugees working in the German market complain about their low average income
- Al Wafaa Campaign and European institutions pledge to support UNRWA with \$1 million
- Palestinians in Syria Relief and Development Association continues to provide medical services to the residents of Yarmouk camp



Victims

Palestinian refugee "Ahmed Kanan Al-Jahwany" died on 26th of March 2018, while fighting alongside the Syrian regime forces, in the ongoing fighting in the eastern Ghouta area.



According to the statistics documented by AGPS, the number of Palestinian refugees who have died due to the war in Syria has risen to 3686 victims, since 2012.



The statistics reveal that the reasons for their death were as follows: 1160 refugees died because of the exchanged bombardments between the Syrian regime forces and the armed opposition factions, while the fighting between the regime and the opposition led to the death of 995 victims. 477 refugees died as a result of



torture during interrogation in the prisons and detention camps of the Syrian regime.

309 refugees died because of sniper shots, while the siege imposed on the Palestinian camps in Syria by the regime and its affiliated Palestinian factions, has lost 203 Palestinians their lives, caused by malnutrition and the lack of medical care.

The remaining victims died because of different reasons, including explosions, summary executions and drowning during attempts to reach Europe.

AGPS documents the data of all Palestinian victims in Syria, no matter their political positions or the body responsible for their deaths.

Latest Developments:

The Syrian regime forces continue to detain three men from the Khan Al-Sheih camp. They are: "Amer Taha," "Mohammed Ersan" and "Khalil Zaher," for more than 30 days. The regime forces arrested them on the 13th of February 2018 and took them to an unknown location, while no information about their detention location has been revealed.

They Syrian regime forces arrested a number of people from the Khan Al-Sheih camp, after the opposition groups left the camp under an agreement with the regime, and then raided the headquarters of the relief institutions in it.



AGPS's documented statistics reveal that 244 refugees from Khan Al-Sheih camp are still under the detention of the Syrian regime.

In another context, a number of Palestinian-Syrians and Syrians working in the German Market are complaining of their low monthly salaries, compared to their German counterparts and other refugees, pointing out that they work for long hours compared to others, however, their average income is much lower than that of other refugees. They add that they preferred working and integrating into the society and being productive, rather than being dependent on the German government, and to prove to the world that the Palestinian refugees wherever, are capable of building themselves and benefiting the community that opened its doors to them.

On its part, the international Media Func platform quoted the Federal Authority for Labor, that: "The average income of full-time refugees is lower than that of many non-refugee workers. The refugees from 8 countries received 1916 Euros per month, before tax cuts and other deductions such as health insurance and retirement insurance in 2016, while a non-refugee worker is paid an average of 3133 Euros per month."

Meanwhile, the Palestinian Syrian refugees who have been able to reach Germany, complain of the delay in the issuance of their residence, which sometimes takes more than a year, which is negatively affecting the families that have been dispersed across Syria, Lebanon and Turkey, and are waiting to be reunited.



As well as the economic burdens borne by the refugees in those countries, especially with regard to securing the living expenses of those who are waiting for their reunification, which may take several more months to reunite.

In the same context, the European al-Wafaa Campaign and a range of European relief institutions, pledged to provide \$1 million in support to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA).

According to a statement issued by the campaign the day before yesterday, it stated that: "After the severe financial crisis that afflicts UNRWA and during the meeting of the European al-Wafaa Campaign and a number of European institutions working in the field of relief and humanitarian affairs in Istanbul, in which the great challenges faced by Palestinian refugees in UNRWA's areas of operation were discussed in terms of medical, educational and infrastructure services, due to the reduction of the International Agency's services, because of the staggering financial crisis it is experiencing as a result of the US administration's suspension of most of its funding for the Agency, which will have a negative impact on the Palestinian refugees in the different aspects of their lives."

The statement added: "The European al-Wafaa Campaign and the partner humanitarian institutions, and with regard to the limited facilities of those institutions, it pledges \$1 million in support of the basic projects for Palestinian refugees, in the context of the efforts of the relief institutions to alleviate the suffering of our people wherever they are."



The relief institutions also called on all the international and relief agencies and civil and international society institutions, to support the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), and stand by its side, amid the great financial crisis it is experiencing.

Local Work Committees

The Palestinians in Syria Relief and Development Association continues to provide medical services to the residents of Yarmouk camp and those displaced from the camp to the neighboring towns of Yelda, Babilla and Beit Sahm. The Association provided 1201 free medical prescriptions for patients during February. The Association's pharmacy also distributed prescriptions and all types of emergency medicines to the residents of Yarmouk and the southern region, on a daily basis.



The Association explained that its volunteer team in the medical department is following up with the elderly patients and the ill, through a specialized doctor, noting that it received a number of



emergency cases, such as wounds, burns and fractures, during February, in its first aid room.

Hundreds of Palestinian families were displaced from Yarmouk camp after ISIS took control of large areas inside the camp, in cooperation with the Nusra Front factions present in the camp.

Palestinians of Syria: March 27, 2018 Statistics:

- The total number of victims documented by the Action Group is 3686, including 467 women
- 1673 Palestinians are locked up behind Syrian government's bars, 106 of which are women
- Yarmouk refugee camp is under the Syrian regime army and Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine's siege for 1,712 days in a row
- 206 refugees, mainly in Yarmouk Camp, have died due to lack of medical care and malnutrition
- Water supplies have been cut off Deraa Camp for 1449 days, and 189 days in Yarmouk Camp
- The Regime army has been in control of Handarat camp for more than 544 days. More than 80% of its buildings have been completely or partially destroyed.
- Approximately 85 thousand Palestinian-Syrian refugees fled to Europe by the end of 2016
- 31 thousand refugees are located in Lebanon
- 17 thousand refugees are sheltered in Jordan
- 6 thousand refugees are in Egypt