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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



"Resident of AlNeirab Camp for Palestinian Refugees Missing on Way to Turkey"

- 800 Families Currently Sheltered in Yarmouk Camp for Palestinian Refugees
- UNRWA Staff Union Suspends General Strike
- Healthcare Initiative Launched South of Damascus



Latest Developments

Palestinian refugee Salah Mahmoud Rafe', aged 17 and raised in Aleppo's displacement camp of AlNeirab, has gone missing as he tried to illegally enter the Turkish territories.

Reporting from Aleppo, north of Syria, an AGPS news correspondent said Salah disappeared as he attempted to cross Al'As River, on the Syrian-Turkish borders. His family lost contact with him for over 20 days. His condition and whereabouts remain unknown.

Over 332 Palestinian refugees from Syria, including 38 women, have gone missing since the outburst of Syrian conflict.

In another development, member of the Reconstruction Committee in Yarmouk Camp, engineer Mahmoud AKhaled, said some 800 families have returned to Yarmouk Camp and retrieved their property.

Prior to reconstruction and rubble-clearance works, some 500 families had been sheltered in the camp.

AlKhaled said returns have been occurring at a slow pace due to poor infrastructure and absence of vital services.

He added that rubble-clearance have been ongoing since October 6. Workers have removed 90% of debris from residential alleyways



in the old part of the camp. Harder efforts should be made to remove rubble from narrow and semi-closed alleyways.

The engineer also said that UNRWA has carried out a tender to rehabilitate its premises in the camp, including the Youth Support Center, the Subsistence Center, and two schools. International organizations in addition to the Palestine Liberation Organization, will contribute to the rehabilitation of some facilities in the camp, such as ovens, schools, and other institutions.

Meanwhile, the General Union of UNRWA Staff Workers announced its decision to suspend the general strike, which was slated to be held on Thursday. However, the labor dispute (disagreement with the employer) will be kept up until workers demands are met as per the agreement struck under the auspices of host countries.

A one-day general strike was held by the Staff Union one day earlier in UNRWA's five fields of operation (Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, the West Bank, and Gaza), in line with the meeting of the Advisory Commission.

The Staff Union said in a statement issued on Sunday that the strike is a protest move ahead of an open-ended strike to be staged starting Thursday, December 2 across UNRWA's five fields of operation.

The Union is urging UNRWA to cancel exceptional and unpaid leaves given under the pretext of funding deficit and to retroactively resume annual bonuses suspended since March.



It further calls on UNRWA to create labor opportunities, recruit more Palestinian refugees, end temporary-work and day labor policy, pay November and December salaries, and implement the decisions of the Beirut Conference.

In the meantime, a healthcare initiative was launched on November 30, by the Palestinian Quds Charity in Yalda town, south of Damascus. The campaign will be concluded on Thursday, December 2.

Over 5,000 Palestinian refugees taking shelter south of Damascus have been grappling with dire conditions due to the price leap, steep rental fees, and forced military conscription with progovernment forces.

Palestinian refugees taking shelter south of Damascus are also living in distress due to the arbitrary arrest sweeps and crackdowns perpetuated by the Syrian security forces.

Palestinian refugees have been subjected to movement crackdowns and denied free access out of and into southern Damascus towns.