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Daily report on the situation of Palestinian refugees in Syria



### "Palestinian Refugee Garners Highest Score in Syria's Secondary School Exams"

- Over 22,000 Palestinian Refugees from Syria Granted Swedish Citizenship
- Military Parade Held by Pro-Gov't Squad in Syria's Yarmouk Camp for Palestine Refugees
- Palestinian Refugee Aymen Atiyeh Secretly Jailed in Syria for 6th Year

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## Latest Developments

Palestinian refugee Ahmed Malek Warda, sheltered in AlRaml camp, in Latakia, has snatched the first rank after he got full marks in his secondary school exams.

A number of Palestinian students garnered excellent marks at secondary school exams (main session) for the scientific and literary branches across the Syrian territories. The results were released by the Syrian Ministry of Education on Wednesday, July 10.



Palestinian student Haneen Husain, raised in Yarmouk refugee camp, snatched the first rank in Rif Dimashq province with a score of 2,860. Ahed Abd AlQadir Asaad, from Yarmouk camp, got the second rank in Damascus and the fourth in Syria. Ola Diab Ashmawi, also raised in Yarmouk camp, was ranked among Damascus top ten students, with a score of 2,542 marks. Palestinian student Rita Khaled AlAssaad, from AlAyedeen camp, in Hama, won the second rank in Hama.

The Syrian warfare has contributed to a sharp nosedive in the rates of access to education, estimated at 75% in 2015, down from 95% prior to the conflict.



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Most of Syria's schools have been destroyed or put out of operation in the raging warfare, imperiling the education of the Syrians and Palestinians alike.

Concerns over abrupt abduction sweeps, torture, and enforced military conscription have led to a dramatic increase in school dropouts and tremendously affected children's access to education.

In another development, Palestinian activists in Sweden said more than 22,100 Palestinian refugees from Syria have obtained Swedish citizenship until the end of 2018.

Referring to studies and statistics conducted by the Swedish Migration Office, the activists said as many as 14,450 Palestinians from Syria were granted Swedish citizenship from 2015 to 2017. From January to October 2018, another 5,674 Palestinians from Syria received citizenship documents from the Swedish authorities.

Palestinian refugees from Syria who have stayed in Sweden for four years are eligible to apply for citizenship in the kingdom. No other prerequisites have been set by Sweden for citizenship applications. Children of Palestinians from Syria who were born in Sweden and one of whose parents has got a permanent residence permit are systematically granted citizenship.

However, the time-span allocated for examining applications for visas or family reunification submitted by refugees from Syria is often estimated as being very long.

Meanwhile, a military show was organized by the Free Palestine Movement, affiliated with the Syrian government, at the Arabic Club in Yarmouk Camp, in Damascus.



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Dozens of gunmen and military commanders along with representatives of the Palestine Liberation Army (PLA) were in attendance.

A number of injured PLA recruits were honored at the event.

Palestinian refugee Aymen Mohamed Atiyeh, born in 1971, has been locked up in Syrian government prisons for six consecutive years, after he was kidnapped on October 10, 2013.

His family continues to appeal for information about his condition and whereabouts.



AGPS kept record of the detention of 1,759 Palestinian refugees in Syria's state-run prisons, among them 108 women and girls.