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**ISIS is holding two and half million people in Nainawa**



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## Humanitarian situation in Nainawa

### The background:

Isis group has transformed the city of Mosul to a big prison since it had been captured on 10<sup>th</sup> of June 2014. There are nearly (2500000) people living in this city. All of them are held and being used as human shields. This huge population lives in a very bad situation that suffers from bad living situation, lack of services and the simplest living elements.

According to official statistics issued by Nainawa city council, there are (1200000) people who were displaced from their homes because of ISIS control of the city from 10/6/2014 to 10/6/2014 and (200000) people from the city outskirts to the city center.

the statistics also say that (350000) people were displaced from the cities of Anbar, Tikrit, Haweeja, and Beji into the city of Mosul because of military operations of both the Iraq & coalition forces against ISIS.





### **Security situation:**

Nainawa is going through a very bad security situation since the invasion of the terrorist group because of the military operation. Brutal acts of killing, arrests, of the terrorist group, and the military operations when 8 administrative units in Nainawa were recaptured from ISIS. The military operation & the artillery of ISIS made it difficult for the IDPs to return to their original cities after being recaptured.

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### **Education:**

After the city has been captured by ISIS, the central educational system was changed by the terrorist group. The group failed to proceed with the educational process as it had forced the teachers to go to schools, but they failed to force the families to send their children to attend schools. The terrorist group also failed to pay the teachers' salaries after the paying of their salaries were stopped and saved for them by the Iraqi government. The teachers complained more about not having transportation fees to reach their schools. Another reason for failing the educational system was the imposing of educational costs on the students, while the process was free before the events.

The higher education in Mosul is stopped along with 60 thousand university students since the beginning of the events and because of the procedures imposed by ISIS. Some of the students are taught the teachings of ISIS in the clerical schools when new instructions were declared by ISIS on 18<sup>th</sup> of October 2015 concerning the educational system. The new instructions included



cancelling the colleges of law, arts, political science, archeology, athletic, philosophy, and tourism management. The instructions also included cancelling the subjects of democracy, education, freedoms & rights, novel writing, theatre, foreign language departments and cancelling putting exam questions about nationality subject, as well as erasing the name of ( republic of Iraq) and (higher education ministry) to be replaced by ( Islamic state) and ( house of education) . the girl students were transferred from the engineering college to the college of medicine in which the number of study years were reduce from 6 to 3, and the girls were separated from the boys.

### **Health:**

There is a large number of hospitals in the center of Mosul, as well as 6 specialized hospitals in Nainawa sub districts. There is a health center in every quarter in Mosul in addition to two specialized centers of dentistry besides the college of dentistry in Mosul University. There are 22 thousand people working in these institutes like medical cadres, nurses, and assistants.

After Mosul had been controlled by ISIS, all of these institutes were connected to what is called (the house of Health) when the health situation became unable to present the simplest services after the way to the city had been closed, and ISIS couldn't provide necessary medicines, and vaccines which lead to higher mortality rates from 200 to 250 persons in a day.

ISIS failed to provide the health employers with their salaries, this deterioration in providing services might result in a humanitarian disaster which threaten two million people in the city as well as the IDP from Diyala, Anbar, and Salahaddin. The terrorist group also prohibited the use of anesthetics except for their fighters and necessary operations. This resulted in high mortality rates among the citizens because of carrying operations without using anesthetics. The dearth of medicines because of the difficulty of transportation to the city is about to cause a humanitarian disasters, but ISIS don't care about these consequences except for their fighters.

The hospitals of Mosul suffer from high deficiency in medicines and other medical equipment's when emergency calls were launched from these hospitals to the international community to present help because the humanitarian situation was deteriorating to a degree where thousands of civilians in the city suffered from lack of necessary health services.

In children' s hospital for treating thalassemia, doctors remain helpless in treating their patients from the spreading disease of thalassemia where the hospital suffer from high deficiency in chemical dosages to treat more than 900 children who are in desperate need of treatments to survive.

## **Sustenance:**

The government official employers haven't received their salaries since May 2015, nevertheless they are forced to keep working in their place or they would be detained, killed, or their belongings get confiscated. The so called (the house of charity) force merchants to pay 2.5% of their money to be collected as alms, they also take large amounts of money from people. The economy in the city is completely stopped because of lack of money while ISIS members enjoy having meals in the biggest restaurants of the city.

Another decision that was imposed by ISIS is the decision of increasing rental wages when the least rental wage became (100) thousand Dinars, if the rental was (200) thousand Dinars, then it would be divided between the owner and the renter. ISIS did this to gain the loyalty of the poor in order to show themselves as their real rescuers.

## **Women:**

The so called Hisba members (a group that monitors people's behaviors) are spreading all around the city and punishing the people on what they wear like short dresses for women or men without beards. They force women to wear covers (Hijab) and any woman who wears colored shoes is considered erotic.

On 19<sup>th</sup> of July 2015 new instructions were declared by ISIS. These instructions are about selling gowns where the terrorist organization began interfering in the people's private lives. It's worth mentioning that ISIS have previously told the sellers to sell what they want to sell except for selling indecent clothes in the shops' facades, but they soon changed their mind as they usually do when they began destroying the measuring rooms in the shops on 21<sup>st</sup> July in a shameful interference in the peoples' private lives.



ISIS declared the compulsory Niqab (full covering of woman body) publically on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July, but this decision wasn't implemented when it was ignored by the people. Then ISIS installed check points to punish any woman who don't wear Niqab. Then the situation escalated when families were whipped on check points for not wearing Niqab.

## Transportation:

ISIS imposed disciplines and restrictions on the citizens of Mosul whenever they wanted to leave the city they should comply to those conditions;

- 1- Going for medical treatment, and the patient should have medical report authorized by doctors.
- 2- Travelling for trading reasons which are restricted to trading medicines or food. In this case that trader should present conditional guarantee in which they make sure that would return. This is done by present one of their relatives as sureties, or leaving properties like house or a car.
- 3- Family travelling is the most difficult kind of travelling because each two members of the family need to provide the authorities with leaving properties like houses and cars.
- 4- All teachers, doctors, pharmacists, dentists, and former security forces are not allowed to leave the city, as well as women who cannot travel alone except with their relatives.
- 5- Some people could leave the city by secret ways like being a driver assistant, or hiding in truck, but that way also was recently controlled by the ISIS.
- 6- There other dangerous way to leave the city by taking the southern desert way reaching Qaim sub district and from there to Nahkeeb then to Karbalam but this way is the most dangerous way at all because moving cars in this way are bombarded most of the time by the coalition aircrafts. In addition to this, those travellers are executed when they are arrested by ISIS.
- 7- It was previously possible to get out of Mosul by paying huge amount of money to ISIS without giving surety, but this was rarely happened, after ISIS had arrested people traffickers.
- 8- For leaving the city one should provide surety along with necessary papers and a sum of money that ranges from \$5000 to \$ 10000 in accordance with the person's ability to pay.
- 9- The period allowed being outside Mosul is ranged between one to two months as maximum.
- 10- It's possible to go from Mosul to Riqqa then to Turkey in condition of having a surety, and Mosul citizen can travel to Turkey for treatment reasons without a passport. But Mosul citizens can't leave the Turkish lands because they didn't enter it normally.
- 11- ISIS imposed severe terms on those who want to lead Hajj ceremony by designating short terms to stay.
- 12- Transportation fees are very high from Mosul to Baghdad that range from 250 thousand Dinars to 500 thousand Dinars for one person, and sometimes the cost reaches one million Dinars.
- 13- There are severe pressures on Drivers not to be lenient with passengers who don't have permissions to leave the city. Many drivers were punished by torturing, jailing, and killing.

## Oil products:

ISIS established what is called (the pillars office) which is responsible about every natural thing existed in their controlled areas like oil, antiques or any other thing. Oil Products Company was under control of the Iraq government and has many filling stations to provide citizens with the necessary oil and gas products to trucks and other cars. After Mosul had been controlled by ISIS, this company stopped working. ISIS gangs controlled the oil fields in Nainawa and began selling it for \$10 for a barrel with the help of Mafias to finance themselves. ISIS didn't provide the citizens with necessity products, and oil prices were costing 400 to 2000 dinars for a liter, while fuel prices with good quality was costing 450 dinar before the events. One bottle of natural gas was costing 70 thousand dinars , but it costs 25 to 30 thousand dinars now, and Kerosene also reached high prices. It is worth mentioning that the city suffered from deficiency of fuels, kerosene, and gas, but ISIS members get these products with very cheap prices, and oil smuggling is still going on since the control of the city.

### **The imposition of law:**

ISIS depended on spreading propaganda in making their laws. ISIS fighters spread propaganda which considered a way to probe the situation before making any law. The propaganda are used as distributing posters in the mosques. At first these law are not compulsory, but after a while and when the propaganda makes its effects, ISIS force their laws by using their aggression. ISIS declared its first instruction after capturing the city on Thursday 12-13/6/2014 which included 16 points among which (Sharia government). The document emphasized that all the available money in Iraqi Banks and institutions are belonged to Muslims and their Caliphs. Anyone who acts against these instructions is brought in front of the Sharia court and face the hardest penalty. The documents also included calling upon the Sheikhs, and tribe leaders to support the terrorist group .they announced amnesty to ex-police members after being given the opportunity to regret. The document also included the necessity of eliminating all kinds of statues, and women should be stay at their homes and wear decent clothes like Niqab.

These decisions indicate that ISIS was blundering from the beginning of their invasion of the city, and they are afraid of rebellion in any time.

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2014 ISIS began implementing the instructions of the document after removing all the statues in the city. ISIS also installed check points to control vehicles and confiscate as much cars as possible to finance their fighters.

ISIS also confiscate the properties of any one who leave the city without their permission claiming that they are infidels.

