

The Day After Heritage Protection Initiative

Site Monitors Project

Damage Report Al-Najiya Village

Sheikh Yasin Mosque - January 2016



Al-Najiya is strategically located on the highway between Aleppo and Latakia. It lies 22 km southwest of Jisr-Alshugoor, 70 km away from Idlib City, 60 km away from the city of Latakia, and 4 km away from Bidama village. It also falls in the area where the borders of Idlib and Latakia governorates meet. In ancient times, it used to be known as “Kafr Najd”. Its Aramaic name, Kafr Najiya, means the famous village.

A quick survey was conducted on Sheikh Yasin Mosque, a building that dates back to the Ottoman era, after being targeted by Russian jets. The bombing left a lot of damage inside the mosque as well as on its west side as shown in the following photos:



Damage to the western side of the mosque





Damage to the west side of the mosque from the inside





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