

The Islamic State's Capital Raqqa: Citizens Take to Streets to Voice Support for Syrian Army against ISIS

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A large number of civilians rushed to Raqqa streets, where they held a massive demonstration in support of the Syrian Armed Forces for their victories against the terrorist groups around the country, specially in the Eastern and Northeastern territories.

Raqqa civilians hoisted the flag of Syria in at least five neighborhoods of al-Dareiyeh, al-Ramileh, al-Ferdows, al-Ajili and al-Bakri and poured to the streets of Tal Abyadh and al-Mansour chanting slogans of support for the Syrian armed forces.

Reports said on Friday that continued advances of the Syrian army and its popular allies against the militant groups in the Eastern part of Aleppo province and the Northeastern part of Hama province are seriously threatening the ISIL's self-proclaimed capital of Raqqa.



"Since October of 2015, the Syrian army has captured some 50 villages in the Eastern Aleppo during an offensive which halted the ISIL-imposed siege on Kuweires Airbase," the sources said.

"Furthermore, government forces have advanced along the M45-highway (Hama to Raqqa) and reached the Western side Raqqa province. Meanwhile, Kurdish fighters of the People's Protection Units (YPG) and Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) have taken firm control of the Northern region of the Raqqa province," the sources added.

However, given the current rate of advances by the Syrian army and its allies, the caliphate is likely to be wiped off the map in Iraq and Syria.

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