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Discovery of a tower and graves dating back to the tenth millennium BC in Aleppo.

Local news

A joint Syrian-Polish team excavating a site at Tel Qaramel in Aleppo have discovered a circular tower and graves dating back to the tenth millennium BC.

The official Syrian news agency (SANA) said that "the joint Syrian-Polish mission on Wednesday completed operations related its discovery of a circular Bronze Age tower dating of the tenth millennium BC, as well as a number of neighbouring circular houses, and a number of bronze age cemeteries."

A joint Syrian Danish mission working on the River Alsajour found "adobe walls, and a large number of large clay jars used for storage in the Middle Bronze Age."

At the same time, the Department of Archaeological Exploration has made a discovery in Hama's "Ruins of Umm Kaibat", which are situated near the village of North Maakir and date to the Byzantine era.

Department head, Ibrahim Shadood said, "The ruins discovered about 105 kilometers to the north-east of Salamieh are of an ancient farm. It boasts a large number of old mosaics, severely damaged as result of the human and environmental effects they have suffered over time."

"The ruins contain a set of channels for drawing water, which are all in a pond belonging to the village of North Maakir. One channel branched out to take water to the ancient city of Andrin, about 7 kilometers from the site of ruins."

He continued by saying, "all the ruins discovered are Roman, from the first or second century BC, and the area was famous for the cultivation of olives."

It is worth noting that these are landmark archaeological discoveries in the heart of the Hama Protectorate, coming in the context of the great number of archaeological discoveries there; particularly the Castle of Ibn Wardan, which is only 10 kilometers away.

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