



# ALTERNATIVE WORKERS NEWS IRAN

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## Special Edition for 112th ILO session in Geneva

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### A message from a group of independent labour organizations in Iran to workers, trade unions and other labour organizations worldwide

During the last 45 years, Iran's capitalist-Islamic regime has been waging a continuous and all-out war against the working class in the economic, political, social and cultural fields. The minimum wage is several times below the poverty line, and even regular payment of wages has become one of the demands of Iranian workers. As a result, the living conditions of workers have fallen to a very low and unbearable level. Workers have to take up to three precarious jobs to secure minimum shelter and sustenance for their families. The Iranian government even violates its own labour law and does not have the slightest respect for the International Labour Organization (ILO) conventions; and persecution of workers is a daily routine in Iran. In spite of experiencing ferocious repression and denial of basic labour and human rights, the working class in Iran have shown a remarkable resilience and have been fighting for their rights in a strikingly unequal battle.

## Joint statement



### and retired workers of Khuzestan

Every year, hundreds of workers and labour activists in Iran are threatened, fired, arrested, imprisoned and tortured by the Islamic Republic of Iran for exercising their basic labour rights. Currently, a considerable number of labour activists are behind bars. A few independent labour organisations that have partially survived the government's sustained onslaught and suppression are under constant and colossal pressure, their activities are...

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... their activities are severely restricted, and many of their founding and other members are either imprisoned or live in constant fear of persecution and long periods of incarceration without trials. It is also a well-known fact that the ruling regime in Iran has been engaged in a continued campaign of repressions, humiliation and threats against women, especially female workers, and intellectuals.



The attack of Iran's repressive agents on the protesting workers of Songon mine in Azerbaijan

As a member of the ILO, the Islamic Republic of Iran is required to observe the core conventions of the ILO, including freedom of associations and collective bargaining. However, the severe violation of these very conventions has been the routine policy and practice of the Iranian regime. Despite having an atrocious and violent anti-worker record in the last 45 years, the Iranian regime is given free rein to send its government-affiliated proxies such as the "Supreme Center of Islamic Labour Councils" to the Intentional Labour Conference (ILC) instead of independent and credible representatives of labour organisations, and there is no sign of ILO scrutiny to ascertain the independent status of workers' representatives. It is more deplorable to note that these proxies are even promoted to the membership of board of directors and other committees. The Islamic Republic of Iran also selects its official and employers' representatives and effectively, all representatives from Iran are the Islamic government's agents .

For many years, labour organisations and activists in Iran have been emphasizing that the "Iranian Labour Delegation" to the ILC do not represent workers of Iran and urging ILO's respective bodies to step in and stop this shameful travesty, but they have only faced a thick wall of silence.

In 2005, following a complaint made against the government of Iran regarding the violation of workers' rights, a case was opened at ILO. Since then, every year

more complaints have been compiled and added to the original case, but after nearly 20 years, ILO has not taken any meaningful and effective step to respond to ever-increasing complaints .

The 112th session of the ILC will be held in Geneva between 3rd and 14th June 2024. The workers and labour community in Iran expect the workers' representatives around the world, who attend the conference, to expose all anti-labour governments and secure the international platforms for workers' genuine representatives and do not allow the bogus representatives to occupy the seats at ILC, by riding on the back of their repressive state apparatuses.

We, the signatories of this letter, as independent labour



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and retiree organizations, along with our imprisoned colleagues, urge the labour organizations all over the world to show their solidarity, and support workers' struggles in Iran and condemn arbitrary arrests and imposition of long-term prison sentences against workers in Iran .

We urge labour organisations and trade unions worldwide not to be impartial to the violations of Iranian workers' rights and atrocities committed by the Islamic Republic against the workers. We ask your support in our fights for the freedom of association, collective bargaining and the release of political prisoners including the imprisoned workers. We urge you to demonstrate international working class solidarity by passionately echoing the voice of the Iranian workers.

**- The Syndicate of Workers of Haft Tappeh Sugarcane Company**

**- United Retiree Group**

**- The coordinating Committee to Help Form Workers' Organisations**

**- Retired Workers of Khuzestan**

12/05/2024

## An open letter by the imprisoned workers Reza Shahabi and Davood Razavi to the representatives of workers' organizations at the 112<sup>th</sup> session of the International Labour Conference

*Greetings to our dear colleagues and friends, and a wish for the victory of workers all over the world.*

We were wondering whether it was still necessary to write again about the suppression of the labour movement and the violation of international conventions on freedom of association, collective agreements, the right to live and work, and workers' health and safety in Iran. We were questioning whether it was still necessary to repeat that we and many other workers were fired, harassed, persecuted and sentenced to long and cruel imprisonments on fabricated charges, only because we had demanded our basic rights and were involved in establishing autonomous workers' organizations. Simultaneously, we deeply feel rueful that we are forced to write again about the harassment, prosecution, and long and cruel imprisonment imposed on us.

It has always been a solemn observation for us that despite numerous and reliable reports over many years by the few independent labour organizations in Iran, including our union, the Syndicate of Workers Tehran and Suburbs Bus Company, and the umbrella organization of teachers, the Coordinating Council of Iranian Teachers' Trade Associations, as well as by labour unions and federations at the international level, to the ILO in relation to the violation of the basic rights of workers and the suppression of independent labour organizations and the increasing number of child laborers in Iran, why ILO has so far not taken tangible and effective measures even in the framework of the Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work? The very fundamental principles and rights that "all members have an obligation, arising from the very fact of membership in the Organization, to respect, to promote and to realize". Why does ILO continue to invite bogus representatives of the government under the guise of representatives of Iranian workers to the annual labour conferences and in many cases they even elect them to be members of its governing bodies and labour committees?!

We recollect that following the mass arrests on and about International Workers' Day in 2022, a petition signed by more than 5,500 people was organized by the Coordinating council of Iranian Teachers' Trade Associations, which was also supported by the Syndicate of Workers of Tehran and Suburbs Bus Company. The petition was submitted to the 110th session of the International Labour Conference. The petition called for the condemnation of the Iranian government's violation of the rights of workers and teachers, especially the violation of the right to



organize and freedom of association, as well as the violation of the right to free speech and assembly. However, we do not recall any responses from ILO to that petition which was created during a very difficult situation in Iran.

In 2005, the International Transport Workers Federation (ITF), which our union is affiliated to, filed a complaint against the government of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the ILO, concerning the organized attack by the government on our union and violent arrests of our members. Despite the fact that this case has been open since then and new violations have been added to the case, ILO seems to have occupied itself with the Iranian government's evasive responses and false claims. As a result, after nearly two decades, no significant and concrete actions have been taken by the ILO in this regard.

Since we established our trade union, within the framework of international labour standards in 2005, we have been targeted by the employer, the government, and the agents of the Intelligence and Judiciary. During this time, hundreds of our union members were beaten, arrested, their homes were raided by security forces, and dozens were fired, suspended or imprisoned.

The three imprisoned members of the Syndicate in Evin Prison have been the target of this anti-worker policy without interruption and have been sentenced to long prison terms, and despite severe physical illnesses, the prison's authorities, in cooperation with the Ministry of Intelligence officials, deny them even a medical furlough.

Reza Shahabi, a member of the board of directors of the Syndicate of Workers of Tehran and Suburbs Bus Company, was arrested following a raid on May 12, 2022, for his trade union activities, as well as meeting with two members of the General Confederation of Labor - Workers' Force (FO), Cecile Kohler and her partner Jacques Paris. He was detained in solitary confinement and interrogated for more than four months in the 209 and 241 sections of the Evin Prison. He was sentenced to 6 years in prison, 2 years of exile, 2 years of a ban on leaving the country and 2 years of ban from trade union activities. The sentence was upheld by the Appeal Court, and he is serving his term in Evin Prison.

Davood Razavi, a member of the board of directors of the Syndicate of Workers of Tehran and Suburbs Bus Company, was arrested on September 27, 2022, for his trade union activities, as well as meeting with FO members, Cecile Kohler and Jacques Paris. He was detained for four months in solitary confinement under intense interrogation. The first trial court sentenced Razavi to 5 years of imprisonment and two years of ban from trade union activities. The sentence was confirmed in the Appeals Court, and he is serving his term in Evin prison.

Hassan Saeidi, a member of the Syndicate of Workers of Tehran and Suburbs Bus Company, was arrested on May 18, 2022, following a night raid by security agents on his residence. He spent four months in solitary confinement and under interrogation. Saeidi was sentenced by the initial court to 6 years in prison, 2 years of exile, 2 years of ban from trade union activities and 2 years of ban from leaving the country for his continuation of trade union activities and meeting with two French trade unionists, Cecile Kohler and Jacques Paris. The sentence was confirmed by the Appeal Court. Saeidi is currently serving his term in Evin prison. However, the Supreme Court has recently reduced his sentences to three years, six months and one day for the charge of assembly and collusion, and seven months for the charge of propaganda against the government .

In the same period, hundreds of other workers, teachers, students and women's movement activists have been fired, arrested and imprisoned merely for exercising their rights or defending the rights of their colleagues. The few independent labour and teachers' organizations, including our union, which were formed despite suppressive actions by the government, are under constant pressure and surveillance by the security and intelligence forces; therefore, the possibility of open and free activities has been denied to them. Dozens of workers, teachers, students and defenders of children's and women's rights are currently imprisoned in various prisons in the country, some of them who are known to us are: Rayhaneh Ansarinejad, Anisha Asadollahi, Sarvenaz Ahmadi, Sharifeh Mohammadi, Nasrin Javadi, Nahid Khodajoo, Zeinab Hamrang, Osman Esmaili, Rasoul Bodaghi, Mehran Raoof, Keyvan Mohtadi, Kamyar Fakoor, Cecile Kohler and Jacques Paris, and many others.

Yet we see that the agents of the government under the titles such as "High Center of Islamic Labour Councils" and other titles, which are all affiliated to the government and employers, and receive all the financial and logistical facilities and the support from the intelligence forces, the Ministry of Labour and employers, are freely active throughout the country, controlling and restraining the labour movement in order to silence the fundamental demands of workers

across the country.

The very same government agents - while many workers and teachers like us are in prison or under persecution, participate in the annual meetings of the ILO as representatives of Iranian workers, which is very unfortunate. Therefore, we emphasize that workers of Iran do not have any representatives at the International Labour Conference, either under the designation of the government's so-called "Workers' Delegates" to the ILO or any person or organization that might claim to represent Iranian labour abroad, and we do not recognize them in any way.

We are aware that every year during the International Labour Conference, international labour organizations and supporters of the Iranian working class abroad hold protest rallies in support of the imprisoned workers and labour struggles in Iran. We sincerely appreciate their solidarity and the contributions by all other allies who are supporting the Iranian labour movement. We hope this year, particularly with the proclaimed support from the trade unions in France, Switzerland, Denmark, Sweden, England and other international labour organizations, we will see wider and more impactful outcomes. We also hope that the grievances related to the suppression of independent labour organizations and activists in Iran will be pursued with more seriousness and urgency and that favourable results will be achieved in support of Iranian workers.

In the end, we would like to express our solidarity with the oppressed workers and people of Iran and the world from inside Evin prison, and especially say that we also join the working class of the world in calling for an immediate ceasefire and an end to the criminal war of the Israeli government against the Palestinian People. We call for an immediate end to warmongering policies in the region by global and regional powers and stand for a lasting peace throughout the Middle East and worldwide, based on the interests of the people of the world and universal human values. The global solidarity and united struggle of workers' organizations and freedom-loving and justice-seeking people is the main guarantor of establishing peace and justice in the region and around the world. Strengthening these organizations and movements is an indelible task for all of us.

*With many thanks, and in solidarity.*

**Reza Shahabi and Davood Razavi,**

Member of the Board of Directors of the Syndicate of Workers of Tehran and Suburbs Bus Company  
**Evin prison, Tehran, Iran - May 27, 2024**

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## Solidarity gathering with Syndicalists and teachers of Iran in Geneva



On the occasion of the International Labour Conference of the ILO (International Labour Organization), the undersigned labour organisations have called for a gathering in front of ILO head office in Geneva, on Friday 7th June 2024.

Hereby, our organisations firmly denounce the recent brutal and widespread repression undertaken by the authorities of the Islamic Republic of Iran, and in particular:

- The terrifying and shocking number of capital punishments, including more than 60 during the last two weeks of April alone.
- The ceaseless repression of women refusing to wear the veil.

We are also protesting against the announced participation at the International Labour Conference of people designated by the regime to represent employees.

The Islamic Republic of Iran has refused to ratify several fundamental conventions of the ILO, including those concerning the freedom of association, the protection of union rights and collective bargaining (ILO Conventions 87 and 98). However, nothing justifies the behaviour of the Iranian government to violate the basic norms. Indeed, the 1998 Declaration "obligates Member States to respect and promote" these norms, "whether or not they have ratified the corresponding conventions". And all the more so since all these violations are taking place while the government of

Iran is part of the Governing Body of the International labour Office.

Iran is also a signatory to two other international treaties which in particular protect the right of association, of to form union, and of contacting meeting the trade-unions of the other countries:

- International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR), article 22;
- International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR), article 8.

The Iranian regime represses, nevertheless, dozens of workers and teachers for the only "crimes" of exercising their basic rights protected by the above treaties signed by the Iranian government itself.

We call for a gathering on:

**Friday 7th June, 2024, from 12 p.m. in Geneva**

in front of the Palais des Nations - "La Chaise- "

- Against the widespread repression by the Iranian regime,
- To support imprisoned, women and men, including Syndicalists and teachers,
- To demand their immediate release.

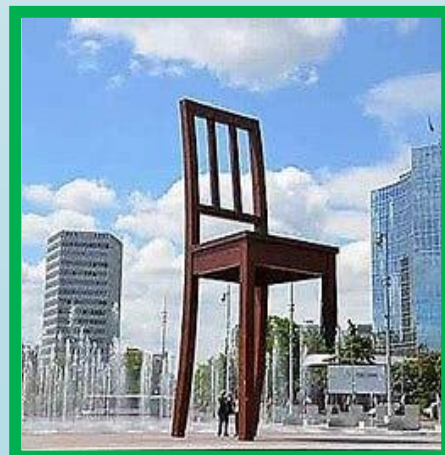
**- Confédération française démocratique du travail (CFDT) - France,**

**- Confédération générale du travail (CGT) - France,**

**- Fédération syndicale unitaire (FSU) - France,**

**- Union syndicale Solidaires - France,**

**- Union nationale des syndicats autonomes (UNSA) France.**



## An open letter to trade unions and workers' organisations Sponsoring a rally at ILO's 2024 annual conference in Geneva in solidarity with workers' movement in Iran



A few independent labour organisations that have partially survived the government's sustained onslaught and suppression are under constant and colossal pressure, their activities are severely restricted, and many of the founders and members are either imprisoned or live in constant fear of persecution and long periods of incarceration without trials.

In the past 45 years, the Islamic regime of Iran has waged a relentless and all-encompassing war against the working class in economic, political, social and cultural spheres of life. The minimum wage is manifold under the poverty line and even regular payment of wages is one of the workers' demands. Workers have to take up to three precarious jobs to secure minimum shelter and sustenance for their families. The Iranian government breaks its own labour laws fiercely on a daily basis and does not have the slightest respect for the ILO conventions and persecution of workers is a daily routine in Iran. In spite of experiencing ferocious repression and denial of basic labour and human rights, the working class in Iran have shown a remarkable resilience and fought for their rights in a strikingly unequal battle. Every year, hundreds of workers and labour activists in Iran are threatened, fired, arrested, imprisoned, tortured by the Islamic Republic of Iran for exercising their basic labour rights. Currently, a considerable number of labour activists are behind bars.



As a member of the International Labour Organization (ILO), the Islamic Republic of Iran is required to observe the core conventions of the ILO, including freedom of associations and collective bargaining. However, the severe violation of these very conventions has been the routine policy and practice of the Iranian regime. Despite having an atrocious and violent anti-worker record in the last 45 years, the Iranian regime is given free rein to send its government-affiliated proxies such as the "Supreme Center of Islamic Labour Councils" to ILO's annual conferences instead of independent and credible representatives of workers' organisations, and there is no sign of ILO scrutiny to ascertain the representatives.





It is more deplorable to note that these proxies are even promoted to the membership of the board of directors and other committees. The Islamic Republic of Iran also selects its officials and employers' representatives and effectively, all representatives from Iran are the Islamic government's agents. For many years, the labor organizations and activists in Iran have insisted that the "Iranian Labor Delegation" is not Iranian workers' representative and urged ILO's respective bodies to step in and stop this shameful travesty, but they have only faced a thick wall of silence. In 2005, following a complaint made against the government of Iran regarding the violation of workers' rights, a case was opened at the ILO. Since then, every year more complaints have been compiled and added to the original case, but after nearly 20 years, ILO has not taken any meaningful and effective step to respond to ever-increasing complaints. This means that for decades, the authentic representatives of Iranian workers have not had their rightful seat at ILO conferences.

ILO's 112th conference will be held in Geneva between 3rd and 14th June 2024. On 7th June, we will be holding a rally there to publicly oppose the



participation of the agents of the Iranian regime as so-called 'Iranian labor delegates' and demand the unconditional release of imprisoned labor activists and all political prisoners in Iran and assert the Iranian workers' rights to freedom of associations and collective bargaining. We, along with labor organizations and imprisoned workers in Iran, urge labor organizations worldwide to stand in solidarity with the authentic representatives of workers, support their struggles in Iran and condemn their arbitrary imprisonment and heavy sentences for



want of basic labor rights which are taken for granted in many parts of the world. We urge you to support and sponsor our rally. You can do so by a) adding the name of your organization as a sponsor, b) sending your message of support to us to be read at the rally, c) nominating your representative to speak briefly at our rally on 7th June 2024. We would be delighted if you decide to choose more than one option.

***In solidarity with the Organizing Committee for the June 7th Protest Action in Geneva***

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## Trade Unions Supporting June 7<sup>th</sup> Protest Action against ILO's summit in Geneva



This year, the International Labor Organization (ILO) meeting will be held between 3rd to 14th of June in Geneva. Like previous years, Iranian labor activists, in order to protest the presence of the Islamic Republic at ILO meeting, have organized the Nationwide Committee, and requested Trade Unions and Syndicalists to support and declare their solidarity with the struggles of the Iranian workers by participating in protest action on 7th June 2024 in Geneva.

Number of Union's representatives will participate and deliver Solidarity speeches in this protest action. Whilst dozens of labor activists and members of independent labor and teacher organizations are imprisoned, and despite widespread violation of the workers' rights, like the violation of the fundamental conventions of ILO, still the Islamic Republic is a member and sends its mercenary agents as "the Iranian Labor Committee" to the summit of ILO every year. The names of dozens of labor and teacher activists who have been sentenced to imprisonment just due to their rightful activities have been submitted to ILO's officials by the organizers of the National Committee for protest action on 7th June 2024, in cooperation with other labor activists documented the violations of the basic rights of workers by the Islamic Republic.

Probably, based on the nature and relations ruling on ILO, just like previous years, investigation of these cases will not be considered, but rather gets lost in the administrative' turns and twists without result. However, what is important is that with the opportunity raised by the ILO summit, the Iranian workers' voice reaches as many labor organizations,

Trade Unions, and Syndicates as possible, and as a class duty, requesting their solidarity and support for the struggles of Iranian workers' movement. We will prove that the Iranian workers are not alone in their struggles.

We call on all the labor activists and labor advocates of the working class rights to participate in our protest action against the presence of phoney labor delegation of the Islamic Republic on June 7th, 2024 ILO's summit, and demand immediate and unconditional release of all labor and teacher activists and all political prisoners in Iran.

We appreciate those Trade Unions, Syndicates and organizations who have announced their solidarity and support for our protest action on 7th June, 2024 in Geneva.

So far, the following Trade Unions have supported our Protest action on 7th June, 2024:

France Solidarity Trade Union(Solidaires), France Federation of Trade Union(FSU), French Democratic Confederation of Labor(CDFT), France General Confederation of Labor (CGT), France National Union of Independent Trade Unions (UNSA), France Geneva Syndicate(CGAS), Swiss Public Service Union,(SSP), Swiss The National Workers Organization of Sweden (LO), includes 14 Trade Unions, Swedish-Iranian Trade Union Platform, Public service and Commercial Trade Union (PCS), UK FOA Trade Union, third largest Union with 32 local Unions- Denmark, Union of Social Coaches (LFS) – Denmark Teachers' Union of Copenhagen, Union of Danish Nurses , The National Committee for protest action on 7th June, 2024

1 June, 2024



## *Announcement of left and democratic institutions:*



On February 21 and 22, 2024, the British Supreme Court considered the case of Julian Assange's extradition to the United States for two days, but Julian Assange could not attend his court session due to his poor health condition, even by video call.

"This issue was made public by Chloe Schlossberg, Assange's independent adviser."

Assange faces 18 criminal charges that could land him in prison for up to 175 years.

One of the last options to prevent his transfer to the United States may be his formal complaint to the European Court of Human Rights.

Hundreds of demonstrators from England and other European countries gathered in front of the court, holding photos of Assange, posters and slogans demanding Assange's unconditional release and stop his extradition to the US.

At the same time, the sessions of the British Supreme Court were held to examine the requests related to his extradition to the USA. The British government had previously presented a list of charges to the Supreme Court.

Julian Assange, born in 1971, is a journalist, computer programmer, an Internet, and an anti-war and transparency activist and one of the founders of

WikiLeaks, an Australian editor.

The purpose of WikiLeaks as an internet media is to create transparency in political and social news, and reveal the secret performances of governments. Assange was a computer hacker in his youth. He has lived in many countries and has researched and lectured on freedom of expression, censorship and journalism in many parts of the world. WikiLeaks has published material on illegal killings in Kenya, toxic waste disposal in Ivory Coast, Church of Scientology handbooks, the condition of US military prisoners at Guantanamo Bay, and the operation of banks such as Köpingt and Julius Baer.



In 2010, WikiLeaks released Iraq war documents, including videos of US military helicopters killing civilians in Iraq as well as Afghanistan war revelations about US involvement in these wars, some of which were classified documents. On November 28, 2010, WikiLeaks and its five press partners, Spiegel, The New York Times, Le Monde, The Guardian, and El Pais, began publishing illegal US diplomatic wiretapping - the disclosure of US diplomatic documents.

Julian Assange has won and been nominated for several awards, including the Amnesty International Media Award for coverage of extrajudicial killings in Kenya and Readers' Choice for Time Magazine's 2010 Person of the Year.

Assange appeared in a British court in February 2011 to be extradited to Sweden to answer questions about the sex and relationship allegations against him.

The charges were unfounded, therefore he was released on bail. In May 2017, Swedish prosecutors ordered a halt to the investigation into Assange's alleged sexual harassment, invalidating his arrest warrant. On June 19, 2012, he took refuge in the Ecuadorian Embassy in London.

On August 16, 2012, Ecuador accepted his asylum request.



In February 2016, a United Nations commission issued a "non-binding" legal opinion that Assange had been arbitrarily detained and should be freed and compensated. This theory of the commission was rejected by the British and Swedish prosecutors as well as the British Foreign Ministry. In July 2018, Ecuadorian President Lenin Moreno announced talks with British authorities to revoke his asylum. On April 11, 2019, British police entered the Embassy at the invitation of the Ecuadorian Ambassador and arrested Assange. Until then, he lived in one of the rooms of the Ecuadorian Embassy in London.

On May 23, 2019, the United States government charged Assange with espionage and violating the 1917 Act. Newspapers, including The Washington Post and The New York Times, as well as press freedom groups, criticized the administration's decision to charge him with espionage, describing it as an attack on the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, which guaranteed the freedom of the press. On December 10, 2021, the High Court in London ruled that Assange could be extradited to the United States to face charges. In March 2022, the UK Supreme Court rejected Assange's appeal. In the USA, he faces the possibility of 175 years in prison. The governments of Sweden, US and Britain, which support so-called human rights, freedom of press and the rights of journalists, persecuted and imprisoned Assange for thirteen years and tortured him physically and psychologically, and they charged him for exposing American crimes in Afghanistan and Iraq to be transferred to American prisons.



**Coordination Board of Left and Democratic Institutions**



# Short News

**May 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Kermanshah, Arak and Mashhad**

- Protest gathering of social and national security pensioners.

**Bam**

-A female waste collector was stuck between the walls of two buildings for 4 days.

**Isfahan**

- Two workers were injured due to lack of work safety.

**Qom**

- Four years of waiting for the insurance of construction workers.

**Fars**

- No homework for adjusted workers in industrial towns. Tehran, Kermanshah, Arak, kamyaran, Mashhad, shosh, **chabahar**

- Eight rallies and one strike coincided with International Workers' Day.

**May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Hersin, Islamabad West, Khomeinishahr and Aligudarz**

- Protest gathering of working and retired educators.

**Qarvin, Marivan**

- Protest gathering of working and retired educators.

**Rasht, Yasuj, Saqqez**

- Protest gathering of working and retired educators.

**Qazvin**

- Injury to a worker due to lack of work safety.

**Hersin, Islamabad West, Aligudarz, Khomeinishahr, Tehran, Bushehr, Marivan, Qazvin, Rasht, Yasouj, Saqqez, Langrod, Noorabad Mamsani, Bukan, Karaj, Zahedan, Shush, Rudbar**

- Nineteen protest rallies.

**May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Bandar Imam**

- Death of two workers due to lack of work safety.

**May 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Mashhad, Kermanshah**

- Death of two workers due to lack of work safety.

**May 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Kerman**

- Death of a worker in a coal mine.

**Tehran, Isfahan**

- Three workers were injured due to lack of work safety.

**Shush, Kermanshah, Tehran, Isfahan, Bandar Abbas, Shiraz**

- Protest gathering of social security pensioners, marketers, gold sellers and dump truck owners.

**May 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Arak**

- Protest gathering of social security retirees,

**May 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Tehran, Rafsanjan, Kermanshah, Shiraz, Ahwaz**

- Five protest rallies.

**May 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Gachsaran**

- the death of a worker due to the lack of work safety.

**Yasouj, Isfahan**

- Two protest rallies.

**Kermanshah**

- gathering of country pensioners in protest against the difficult living situation.

**May 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Tehran**

- reducing the prison sentence of Hassan Saeedi, a member of the Workers' Syndicate of Tehran and Suburbs Bus Company(Sherkat e Wahed).

**Non**

-registration of work accidents related to self-employed workers, national insurance and workshops outside the scope of the labor law by the Ministry of Labor.

**Ashkazar, Iranshahr**

- The death of three workers due to lack of work safety.

**Dehaghan**

- the death of a worker in a sand mine due to the lack of safety in the work environment.

**May 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Tehran**

- protest gathering of truck drivers at the international book fair.

**Tabriz, Mashhad, Isfahan, Asadabad**

- Injury and death of six workers due to lack of work safety.

**May 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Ahwaz, Kermanshah, Shush, Isfahan, Arak, Tehran**

- Protest gathering of pensioners.

**Ahvaz, Isfahan, Shush**

- Two protest gatherings of social security retirees and steel industries.

**Kermanshah, Arak, Tehran**

- Protest gathering of social security retirees.

**Sanandaj**

- a protest gathering of paddlers in protest against the banning of their activities by the municipality.

**Karaj**

- Injury of a worker due to lack of work safety.

**Zahedan, Sistan and Baluchistan**

- Workers' wage arrears.

*The death of three Iranian nurses due to overwork in one month. The death of more than two thousand workers due to work accidents in one year.*

**May 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Lorestan**

- the death and injury of more than eight hundred workers in 2023.

**FASA**

- the protest gathering of nurses and nurses' assistants.

**Tehran, Khorramabad, Kermanshah, Bandar Abbas, Rasht, Ahwaz, Isfahan, Ardabil, Urmia, Hamadan, Sanandaj, Shahrekord, Marivan, Arak, Shiraz**

- Protest gathering of telecom retirees.

**Razavi Khorasan**

**Chabahar**

- wage demands of workers in Sina Petrochemical.

**May 14<sup>th</sup>****Tehran**

- protest gathering of Mellat Bank pensioners and property losers.

*Death and injury of more than 500 rangers in Iran!*

**Kermanshah**

- protest gathering of national retirees, telecommunications and social security.

**Tehran**

- sending Daud Razavi, a member of the board of directors of the Workers' Syndicate of Tehran and Suburbs Bus Company(Sherkat e Wahed), imprisoned in Evin prison, to the hospital

**Kermanshah, Tehran, Chabahar, Rameshk, Lorestan**

- Six protest gatherings of national pensioners, social security and telecommunications, electricity department employees, property losers and workers.

**Zahedan**

- arrears of wages of railway workers.

**May 15<sup>th</sup>****Tehran**

- arrears of wages for the workers of Darugar factory.

**Tehran, Rafsanjan**

- Death and injury of three workers due to lack of work safety.

**Khash, Chabahar, Tehran, Arak**

- Three protest rallies and two strikes.

**May 16<sup>th</sup>**

*Non-payment of wages of seven thousand railway workers in Zagros, Lorestan, Karaj, Islamshahr and southeast Zahedan regions.*

**Shush, Rameshk, Tehran, Rask**

- Four protest rallies.

**May 17<sup>th</sup>****Urmia**

- the death of a worker due to a fall from a height.

**Sarvestan, Kuhbanan**

-The death of four workers and the injury of one worker due to the lack of work safety.

**Chabahar, Shush, Tehran**

- wage arrears of municipal workers and pensioners and non-payment of railway workers' wages.

**May 18<sup>th</sup>****Isfahan**

- three firefighters were injured due to lack of work safety.

**Isfahan, Tehran Chabahar**

-Workers' salary arrears.

**Nikshahr, South Pars, Lawan, Hamedan**

-Two protest rallies and two strikes.

**Zabul**

- protest gathering of transport fleet drivers.

**May 19<sup>th</sup>****Tehran**

- protest gathering of cultural retirees.

**Ahwaz, Isfahan, Tehran**

- protest gathering of steel industry retirees.

**Qazvin**

- protest gathering of national pensioners.

**Kerman**

- the gathering of locomotive workers protesting the dismissal of their colleagues and the failure to address their demands.

**Ahwaz, Isfahan, Tehran**

- protest gathering of steel industry retirees.

**Tehran, Kermanshah, Ahwaz, Sush**

- protest gathering of social security retirees.

**Khash**

- wage arrears of municipal workers.

**May 21<sup>st</sup>****Assalouye**

- strike of contract oil workers demanding a wage increase.

Wage arrears for the workers of North Technical Building.

**May 23<sup>rd</sup>****Hashtroud**

- the arrest of five farmers who protested against the activities of machete washing workshops...

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