

### **6th day of hunger strike and protests at Sahand University**

*INTV – April 28, 2008:* Students have gone on hunger strike and demonstration for the past five days at Sahand Technical University in the northern city of Tabriz. They are protesting to hand picked school administrators by the government for the school. Students are also demanding action against university's security guards for insulting female students. Protesting students chanted, "We are angry at those who promote discrimination," "We are fighting, men and women, Fight us and we will fight," "We stand, we chant, we fight to the end" and "No matter what happens, the movement will continue."



### **Gathering of 500 Laborers dispersed**

A Call from Tehran – April 26, 2008: The Iranian regime prevented a gathering of more than 500 members of labor movement in Tehran's Chitgar and Jahan-Nama Parks yesterday. They included workers from Iran Khodro factory, drivers from Tehran's Vahed bus company, workers from Sanandaj, Varamin, Pakdasht, Qom industrial city and some of the factories in Tehran. The gathering was organized to honor May Day, the international Labor Day. Agents of the State Security Forces (SSF) -- mullahs' suppressive police -- were stationed at the above locations and dispersed the crowd. Some 30 motorcyclists from the special unit of the Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) patrolled the park along with SSF foot patrols.



### **Attack by security forces leaves 10 dead in Ilam**

*INTV – April 27, 2008:* Following vote counts of the run-off sham elections for mullahs' Majlis (Parliament), the people clashed with the agents of the Ministry of Intelligence and security (MOIS) and put fire to the government buildings and banks. According to eyewitnesses in Ilam, on Saturday clashes between the State Security Forces (SSF)- suppressive police- and local residents left 10 dead in the western city of Ivan north of the Provencal capital of Elam.

### **Woman forced to resign for her gender**

*ISNA – April 10, 2008:* The head of the swimming delegation in Kermanshah, Sussan Shirzadi, resigned from her position on April 8. She explained: "The officials at the General Department of Physical Education forced me to resign just for being a woman, without even considering my achievements..."

### **Iran hangs five murderers and five others win reprieve**

*Reuters - April 24, 2008:* Iran has hanged five convicted murderers but five others supposed to be executed at the same time were pardoned by the victims' families "in the last seconds of their lives", a government daily said on Thursday. The ten men were taken to the gallows in Tehran's Evin prison on Wednesday morning, but five of them were returned to their cells after the families of those they killed agreed to accept "blood money" to spare their lives, the Iran daily said.