



Iran amputates the hands of 5 people in Hamedan

Akbar Bigleri, the prosecutor of Hamedan said that crimes are divided into two groups which include personal crimes and crimes related to God. “Robbery is a crime that has two aspects and is in both groups and if the criminal is granted amnesty by the complainant, in the end he/she will be convicted because the aspect as related to God still exists”, he said. “The five robbers, whose sentences were carried out in the Hamedan Prison, were all above 25 years old”...

“When a hand gets used to stealing and causes harassment for the people, it has to be cut short”, he added...

He said regarding not carrying out the sentence in public, “The global arrogance (the west) misuses the implementation of these sentence and claims that Iran violates human rights”. (ILNA state-run news agency – July 22, 2010) <http://www.ilna.ir/newstext.aspx?ID=137025>

Student prisoners sentenced to 6 years of prison

Arsalan Abadi, a constructional engineering student at Qazvin University who was sentenced to 9 and a half years of prison by the 15th branch of the Revolutionary Court, was sentenced to six years of prison in a court of review. The six year prison sentence was issued by the 54th branch of the Revolutionary Court. The student was arrested on Ashura (Dec. 27, 2010) and is currently in cellblock 350 in Evin Prison. Abadi has been jailed for 210 days and according to reports, his sister and fiancé were detained for 30 days to put pressure on him. (Committee of Human Rights Reporters – July 21, 2010)



Jailed blogger in poor physical health in Evin Prison

Hossein Ronaqi Maleki, blogger and human rights activist who is detained in a solitary cell in Evin Prison is suffering from heart and kidney problems. Prison officials and interrogators refuse to allow him to receive medical attention and are oblivious to his physical health. He has been under torture and physical and mental pressure in the months of his detention and this has led to numerous physical problems for him...

Hossein Ronaqi Maleki was arrested in the home of his brother, Hassan Ronaqi Maleki, on December 13, 2009. His brother, who did not have any previous political activities, was under severe physical torture for one month to force him to give false confessions. Hassan was severely injured in the neck as a result of the torture. (Committee of Human Rights Reporters – July 21, 2010)



Political prisoner goes on hunger strike in protest to inhumane prison conditions

According to reports, political prisoner Reza Jushan stated in a letter that he was forced to go on a hunger strike as of July 21 because of the intolerable and inhumane conditions in Gohardasht Prison in Karaj.

This 25 year old prisoner was arrested on December 1, 2009 after agents of the Intelligence Agency raided his home. He was taken to a solitary cell in the Sepah cellblock and after two months was taken to cellblock 4. Intelligence Agents once again raided the home of this family on December 7 and arrested his mother, Zahra Asadpour Gorji. She was also taken to the Sepah Cellblock and after weeks of interrogations and physical and mental torture, was transferred to Gohardasht Prison's female cellblock. Gorji and her daughter



Fatemeh Jushan were arrested before this for visiting their family members in Camp Ashraf in Iraq and were detained for 16 months in Gohardasht Prison. They were released after serving their prison term. Gorji and her

son were sentenced to one year of prison to be served in Zanjan Prison and four years of exile in the Qeilar Village in Zanjan. (Human Rights and Democracy Activists in Iran – July 22, 2010)

http://hrdai.blogspot.com/2010/07/blog-post_5912.html

Students summoned to Tehran University Disciplinary Committee, and 3 students expelled

A large number of Tehran University students have been summoned to the Disciplinary Committee from the beginning of Tir (Persian month from June 22 – July 22). Notably, 3 students have so far been expelled from the university according to initial sentences issued by the Disciplinary Committee. Students have also been told that films and pictures were taken (showing their participation in protests). (Daneshju News – July 21, 2010)

Gohardasht Prison guards attack and beat political prisoners

On Thursday July 22, the head of cellblock 4, Mahmoud Moghnian and his prison gangs attacked and violently beat political prisoners in this cellblock.

At about 10:30 am political prisoner Khaled Hardani who was in cell number 15 was attacked by a dangerous prisoner. After this attack, he was summoned and reprimanded and insulted by Moghnian. When Mr. Hardani protests his actions, Moghnian attacked and beat him with a baton. Hardani was then transferred to solitary.

After this measure, Moghnian ordered his prison gang who follow his orders in the cellblock in dealing drugs and suppressing prisoners, to attack political prisoners.

Student prisoner Hood Yazerlu was violently attacked by this gang.

Hood lost a portion of his eyesight as a result of strikes to his head and he also sustained abrasions on his body. Moghnian then ordered Hood Yazerlu to be transferred to the cell where the prison gang was detained. With this transfer he intends to subject this young political prisoner to serious danger. Other political prisoners protested this transfer.

Mahmoud Moghnian played a part in the killing of political prisoners in the 80's especially in 1988 in Gohardasht Prison in Karaj and personally executed a large number of political prisoners. He also plays a part in attacking political prisoners and in these attacks, Amir Heshmat Saran, who was killed under torture, Behrouz Javid Tehrani, Afshin Baimani and other prisoners were seriously wounded. Note: Hood Yazerlu has relatives in Camp Ashraf, Iraq. (Human Rights and Democracy Activists in Iran – July 22, 2010)

http://hrdai.blogspot.com/2010/07/blog-post_22.html

Baha'i female prisoner in poor physical health in Mashhad Prison

The physical condition of Rozita Vaseqi, jailed Baha'i resident in the Vakil Abad Prison in Mashhad has been reported as critical according to a recent visit with her family. She has been in solitary for the last 125 days and in this time has become thin and weak which has led to a low blood pressure and severe pain in the soles of her feet and hands. She has trouble moving her hands and feet and suffers from severe pain. This is while Intelligence authorities have said regarding her condition that Vaseqi is not willing to cooperate and until she does, her condition will not change. Notably, her family were asked to pay a 50 million toman (about 50,000 dollar) bail on June 27 for her release but no measures have been taken for her release and officials seeing to her case do not give her family clear answers. (Human Rights Activists in Iran – July 21, 2010)

<http://www.hra-news6.info/1389-01-27-05-27-21/2874-1.html>



Khaled Hardani and Hood Yazerlu

