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#### A common statement by independent organizations

Subpoena and imprisonment of activists and intellectuals means escalation in political suffocation and suppression of freedom



On November 3, the security officials arrested Parvis Sadaqat who is a writer, translator and economic researcher and seized his personal belongings. Security personnels also detained Mohamad Maljoo and apprehended his personal items. In recent days individuals such as Mahsa Asadolah Nejad, Shirin Karimi and Heiman Rahimi have been detained and Keyvan Mohtadi was also taken for interrogation. All that these incarcerated individuals have done is intellectual and cultural activities, backing people's basic human rights.

We as autonomous organizations of workers and pensioners condemn citation, interrogation, and harassment of people in their private lives and demand their unconditional release. There have emerged extensive protests regarding the new waves of incarcerations by freedom loving and progressive social activists. At the same time the range of cruelty and detention has expanded. Those scholars and translators who were active legally have not escaped

the recent state harassment. As crisis deepens the establishment, instead of responding to the just demands of the people and providing for their necessities, it tightens freedom space for social and civil activities.

In fact awareness related development and enlightening activities is the Achilles' heel for the regime and for that reason the security officials are struggling to combat it by imprisoning democratic activists under the false label of "activities against national security.' Harassment of the people in their residence and upsurge in the level of interrogations and arrests are only curbing freedom in the society and clampdown on pro-freedom and progressive activists and it must stop immediately.

November 13, 2025

The Syndicate of workers of Haft Tappehe Sugarcane Coordinating Committee to help to organize Workers Retired Workers of Khuzestan The United Group of Pensioners

### **Protesting Operators of the South Association of Colleagues in the oil company of Khark Area**

November 15, 2025 - Regarding:

- 1-Correction of minimum wages for personnel
- 2-Full payment for special times and operational benefits to operational personnel
- 3-Full payment to the legal seniors
- 4-Clarification of tax measurement in the operational area and return of extra taxes to the personnels
- 5-Accomplishment of article 10 and payment of back pays
- 6-Removal of the tradition of separating operating jobs to professionalism and helpers
- 7-Complete self-regulation for Oil Pensioner Fund

Workers in the Khark area demonstrated in front of the cultural center of the region and abstained from work. Workers in the region of Khark will continue these protests till they accomplish all their demands

The information Center of the official workers of Oil industry in Iran

Three Thousand Workers of the Southern Pars Refineries in Protest March:

#### **Contractors Must Leave!**



More than three thousands contract workers of the twelve refinery units of the Southern Pars put forth their demands including implementing the organizing scheme, entitlement to proper vacation days and entitlement to job classification, during their gathering.

The most important demands of the Southern Pars workers are the revision of jobs' classification scheme, implementation of the plan of two weeks work - two weeks rest for the administrative and logistic personnel, organizing the non-owner drivers' situation and on a bigger scheme, elimination of the contractors and middlemen.

According to the news published by the Organizing Council of the non-official workers (Arkan Saales ), these workers, following their past practice, stopped work and marched gloriously declaring their solidarity with the workers' protests in the Southern Pars Gas Complex.

These workers with the slogan "a sign of the enslavement is our paychecks" declared their protest against the enslavement structure in the work environments and against the totality of slavery based on wages. They raised their protest voices against the empty promises with the slogan "enough of promises, our bread basket is empty."

The main demands of the workers of "Arkan Saales" and the contracting workers in these refineries are:

- 1 Immediate removal of middleman contractors and change of hiring status for the "Arkan Saales" workers.
- 2 Review of the job classifications scheme with the intention of uniformity of the wages system.
- 3 Implementation of the scheme: two weeks work, two weeks rest for administrative and logistic personnel.
- 4 solve the situation of chaos for the drivers who don't own their vehicles.
- 5 The payment for expenditure incurred because of welfare possibilities (camp right.)
- 6 Securing aerial transportation for the contracting workers.

# Suppression instead of Answer, Detaining instead of Justice!



The oppressive and anti-worker regime of Islamic Republic could not stand the workers' protest! This morning, Wednesday 19 November, 2025, Esfahan Steel Mill workers who intended to gather in protest in front of Isfahan Provincial Office and in front of Zarrin-shahr Gubernatorial deprived of gathering.

These workers who have been under the crushing pressure of the arrears pay delays and total ignoring of the management, came to demand their lawful rights. But instead of being heard, they were faced with police ambience, threats and detainment. Reports show that several of the workers were recognized and detained right on the spot.

This oppressive behaviour is continuing while workers have warned repeatedly that these arrears of the salaries, lack of transparency regarding the management and using the police tactics on workers' syndical protests are not bearable. The last gathering of the workers was held on October 30, 2025 in front of Isfahan Provincial Office.

# The glorious unity of South Pars workers



Saturday, November 15, 2025 Protest\_Operations\_in\_the\_ The protests of the
protest operations in the south continue. The second,
third, fifth, sixth, seventh, ninth, tenth, eleventh and
twelfth refineries protested on Saturday.

# Oh Executioner, Down with you!



Within 20 day, 166 human beings were hanged in Iran!

No to capital punishment!

Haft Tappeh: From Prosperity to Plunder Workers' voices: Screaming from all this chaos

With Inflation of 45%, our current wage is not enough, because Poverty line is, 55 Million Toman (\$US550.00) per month



Haft-Tappeh, this small industrial area in the heart of the province of Khuzestan, was not just a factory, but a symbol of work and hardship, empathy and life. Here, generations of people have come, suffered, worked, produced and with their suffering hands, nurtured the blossoming sugarcane trees. Here, children grew up alongside their parents, creating memories that would last for generations. Haft Tappeh was not only a workplace for these people, but also a home where they lived, dreamed, and hoped.

Since its inception, Haft Tappeh has been one of the country's industrial hubs. In those days, due to the massive production of sugar from sugarcane, this region had a great impact on the country's economy. Two important and proud companies, Pars Paper and Haft Tappeh Nishkar, supplied a large part of the domestic demand for paper and sugar with their factories. The residential settlements of that time, such as Simash, Avan, 60 Dasat, 40 Dasat, 30 Dasat, 20 Dasat, Koy Ilam, the workers' settlement of Haft Tir houses, and the pump station houses, were not only the residences of the workers and their families, but also a symbol of the cohesion and integrity of a society that, hand in hand, turned the wheels of production.



Saturday, November 15, 2025 - Protest rally of steel retirees in Isfahan with the slogan of reformist, fundamentalist, enemy of retirees.

## Only in the street can we achieve our rights!

Sunday, 16/11/2025

Protest rally of the social security pensioners in front of the Susa (Shush) social security building.

The following slogans were chanted:

"High price, inflation, have made people's lives miserable"

"We, the retirees, demand our rights"

"We will not succumb to oppression, we sacrifice our lives for emancipation's cause, down with this slavery, down with this life"

"Neither the Parliament, nor the government worry about the nation"

We are protesting against poverty, misery, deprivation, high cost of living, and unbridled inflation!

We are protesting against the meager and inadequate wages, lack of easement , and security of our lives!

We are protesting against the lack of hospitals, free and proper health care!

We are protesting against the lack of welfare, atmosphere of fear and apprehension!

We are protesting against the discrimination, theft, pillage, plunder, and rentier!

We are protesting against the current ruling calamity, oppression and exploitation!

Down with slavery, Long live emancipation!
Bread job Freedom
Jubilation prosperity
Down with exploitation and slavery wage





Sunday, November 16, 2025 - Rally of Kermanshah social security retirees in front of the General Directorate of Social Security. High inflation/Theft from the people's pockets. Retirees in trouble/Aghazadeh in the closet. An imposed theft/Supplementary insurance. Enrichment of life/Our inalienable right.

#### S H R O T N E W S

Sunday, November 16, 2025 - A nationwide protest rally of social security retirees in Khuzestan, Ahvaz, in front of the organization's general office. The protesters are holding a large banner with their demands written on it. They are demanding the strict implementation of Articles 96 and 54 of the Labor Law.



Monday, November 17, 2025 - The widespread strike of employees of the Lian Offshore Company in the Chabahar Petrochemical Project, which began in the early hours of the morning, continues and the workers have refused to be at work. "In response to the strike, the company's management proposed to pay 20 million tomans of the arrears of Tower Six salaries and promised that the remaining salaries of this month would be paid within the next 10 days.



Monday, November 17, 2025-. Nationwide protest rallies of telecommunications retirees in dozens of cities across the country. In an unprecedented wave of protests, telecommunications retirees from Tehran (Sardar Jangal), Kermanshah, Kerman, Lorestan (Khorramabad), Hamedan, Mazandaran (Babol), East Azerbaijan (Tabriz), West Azerbaijan, Kurdistan (Sanandaj and Marivan), Bijar, Isfahan, Qazvin, Ahvaz, Chaharmahal-and Bakhtiari, Gilan, Ilam, Khorasan Razavi and Fars Provinces began protest rallies. Retirees in all cities announced that: "They have taken our rights; "There is no accountability and no transparency".

The retirees have emphasized that the protests will continue until their rights are fully implemented.

Tuesday, November 18, 2025- A gathering of official employees of the Abadan Refinery (Azmon 1402) against it, protesting the size of the salary floor and injustice in payments.



Tuesday, November 18, 2025- Yasuj - A mass gathering of people in front of the Kohgiluyeh and Boyer Ahmad Governorate, protesting the water transfer project of this province by building the Khersan 3 and Mandegan dams. The Zagros water transfer project will face this region, which is already suffering from water shortages, with further drought and environmental difficulties. Our shame, our shame / Our responsible person.



Wednesday, November 19, 2025, protest rally of continental shelf workers - Bahregan region Demands: 1- Reform of minimum salaries of employees

- 2 -Complete elimination of the salary cap for operational personnel
- 3 -Elimination of the retirement age cap
- 4 -Transparency of tax calculations and refund of excess taxes collected according to existing laws
- 5 -Full implementation of Article 10 and full payment of its back pay
- 6 -Complete independence of the Oil Pension Fund
- 7- Elimination of the separation of operational jobs into specialized and support.



Wednesday, November 19, 2025 - Three-day protest rally of National Copper Company retirees in front of Anarky's office. A group of retirees from the National Copper Company held a sit-in in front of the Anarky office for the third consecutive day. The protesters stated that despite their three-day presence, no representative has been responsive and no meeting has been held to address their problems, and this "inaction and deliberate silence" has increased anger and frustration among the retirees.



Thursday, November 20, 2025 - For three months, the bulk workers of the Sanandaj Municipality, in the transportation, urban services, and green spaces departments, have not received their salaries. Most of them are with the contractor, not with the municipality itself.

#### Gilan

Gilan The noble and aware people of Iran! Ahmad Baldi, by burning his noble life, showed the way to demand to the limit. Shahu Safari, a firefighter from Sedig Sanandaj, set foot on Baldi's path in protest of the living conditions below the death line. Protests and strikes of workers in South Pars refineries, nurses in Mashhad and across the country, disconnection of telephones and visits from Masoud Farhikhte, deliberate deprivation of medical services for imprisoned teacher Sarafraz Hashem Khastar and other prisoners, arrest of civil activists, issuance of cruel death sentences for workers (Zahra Tabari, Manouchehr Fallah and Peyman Farah Avar), drying up of dams, lakes, wetlands, etc. brought the accumulation of demands to the verge of explosion. The ruling power of capitalism is indifferent, turning a blind eye and waiting for 70 percent of the people to choose the path taken by Ahmad Baldi and commit self-immolation... Therefore, there is no other way for the people except to be present in the streets. We, the demonstrators of Gilan Street Floor, will join

Thursday, November 20, 2025 - Many Sanandaj green space workers are worried about unemployment with the start of the fall season. Their contracts are for three or six months and are renewed every year with fear. They bring the gardens to life with callused hands, but they themselves have no insurance or future.

Kermanshah - The miserable living conditions and the increasing pressure caused by skyrocketing inflation, the poor state of healthcare, and the enormous burden of social problems have taken their toll. Therefore, in response to the indifference of the government towards the current situation, which has left us no choice but to protest, we will come to the streets in unison and united to cry out resolutely and tirelessly against any oppression and inequality, and along with demanding our rightful rights, to press for a humane and dignified life for the general public. We are waiting for your presence. Our meeting date: Sunday, November 25, 2025 / 19. 11. 2025 10 am Seh Raha 22 Bahman in front of the General Directorate of Social Security Pensioners demanding #Kermanshah



Enriching life is our inalienable right

the nationwide protest on Sundays, as in the past. Time: Sunday, November 15, 2017 at 10:30 AM Location: #Rasht Golsar, in front of the Provincial Social Security Office. (Demanders of Gilan Street Floor)

Time: Sunday, November 25, 2020 at 10:30 AM Location: #Rasht Golsar, in front of the Provincial Social Security Office. (Demanding people to take the floor of Gilan Street) \*\*\* Tehran Social Security Pensioners' Rally Sunday, November 23, 2020 at 10:00 AM Tehran in front of the Social Security Organization. Azadi Street Dear pensioners! We have chosen the floor of the street in response to lawlessness and injustice. When our lives are reduced to nothing, the street is the place where we must make our cry heard. Companions! Today our voice must be loud and unified. We demand the implementation of the law: Full implementation of Articles 96 and 111 of Social Security Free insurance and treatment Repaying the government's debt to the Social Security Organization and... These are our legitimate demands and must be fulfilled without any retreat. The 100-Toman dollar has swallowed up wages. Comfort, peace, and life are our inalienable rights.

