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4 June 2025 - There has been a dramatic rise in the execution of Afghan nationals in Iran. In 2024, at least 80 Afghan men were executed in Iran, a three-fold increase compared to the previous year. These executions are carried out in silence and without transparency. Only six of the 80 executions were announced through official sources.

This trend has continued into 2025, with at least 32 Afghan nationals executed in the first five months of the year.

The Islamic Republic has demonstrated that it acts with impunity when it comes to executing the most marginalised and impoverished communities whose executions do not have any political cost.

Given the internal political circumstances in Afghanistan, the Islamic Republic also does not feel obligated to grant consular access to Afghan nationals. If these executions continue to be costless for the Islamic Republic, we fear that dozens more Afghan nationals will be executed in the coming months.

We emphasise that legal proceedings, particularly those related to the death penalty, do not meet the minimum fair trial standards and confessions are often extracted under torture and coercion.

Furthermore, the anti-immigration wave, especially anti-Afghan sentiment fuelled by the government to divert public attention from its economic mismanagement, paves the way for further reducing the political cost of their execution.

We, the undersigned, call on all human rights organisations, activists, political figures and the public to express their opposition to the execution of Afghan nationals by any means possible. We also urge the international community to take appropriate action to prevent the continuation of this trend.

SIGNATORIES:

Iran Human Rights (IHRNGO)
World Coalition Against the Death Penalty (WCADP)
Impact Iran
FIDH (International Federation for Human Rights)
Defenders of Human Rights Center in Iran (Shirin Ebadi)
Global Campaign to Stop Executions In Iran
Justice for Iran
United for Iran (U4I)
Abdorrahman Boroumand Center for Human Rights in Iran
Center for Human Rights in Iran
Iran Human Rights Documentation Center

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The Kurdistan Human Rights Association-Geneva (KMMK-G)
Kurdpa
Baloch Activists Campaign
Haal Vsh
Rasanak
Karun Human Rights Organization
Association for the Human Rights of the Azerbaijani People in Iran (AHRAZ)
Campaign to Free Political Prisoners in Iran (CFPPI)
Kurdistan Human Rights Network
Balochistan Human Rights Group
6Rang (Iranian Lesbian and Transgender Network)
Siamak Pourzand Foundation
Hana Human Rights Organization
United Against Gender Apartheid
International Committee Against Execution (ICAE)
International Educational Development (IED)
All Human Rights for All in Iran
League for the Defence of Human Rights in Iran (LDDHI)
Ensemble Contre la Peine de Mort (ECPM)
The Advocates for Human Rights (TAHR)
Harm Reduction International
Anti-Death Penalty Asia Network (ADPAN)
Taiwan Alliance to End the Death Penalty
Common Good Foundation, USA
Death Penalty Focus, USA
Witness to Innocence, USA
Abolition Death Penalty of Iraq
Odhikar, Bangladesh
Japan Innocence and Death Penalty Action
Capital Punishment Justice Project, Australia
Rescue Alternatives Liberia
Foundation for Human Rights Initiative (FHRI), Uganda
Lifespark - movement against the death penalty, Switzerland
Pax Christi Uvira asbl, DRC
Humanity Diaspo, France
ACAT Liberia
Redemption Pakistan
The Christian Union for Progress and Human Rights (UCPDHO), DRC
German Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty (GCADP)
Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA)
ACAT Belgium
ACAT Germany
The Kenya Human Rights Commission
Legal Awareness Watch Pakistan

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Think Centre, Singapore
Recortes Cero, Spain
Lembaga Bantuan Hukum Masyarakat, Indonesia
Lawyers For Human Rights International, India
CrimeInfo, Japan
Italian Federation for Human Rights (FIDU)
Ligue des droits de l'Homme, France
ACAT Ghana
International Feminist Women (iFM), Spain
Federation of Women's Associations of the Community of Madrid (FAMCM)
Tierra y Cultura, Spain
United to End Executions in Iran (UTEEIRAN)
The Youth and Justice Lab, Canada
Free Human, Germany
Iranian American Movements for Human Rights, San Diego
Woman, Life, Freedom Nürnberg & Erlangen e.V.
The Iranian Association for the Defense of Human Rights in Spain
Maanà Association, Italy
Solidarity With Iranians-Vancouver, Canada
Andalusian Kurdish Association
Justice Support Association
Woman Life Freedom Germany
BRAMSH (Balochistan Women's Voices)
Iranian Human Rights Activists
Campaign To Free Jailed Workers in Iran (Free Them Now)
Noran Human Rights Committee, Norway
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