

# PROTESTERS AT RISK OF EXECUTION, DEATH PENALTY CHARGES OR SENTENCES IN IRAN

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The Islamic Republic is intentionally creating confusion in protester cases by sharing contradicting statements. This is further perpetuated by the fact that security defendants do not have access to their own lawyers per the Note to Article 48 of the CCP and their family contact is restricted. Many lawyers have reported being prevented from accessing their clients and their cases at all stages of the legal proceedings.

This list includes both officially reported cases and those reported by family members and citizen journalists. Iran Human Rights has been unable to confirm the details of all individual cases and therefore requests that anyone with information about protesters at risk of death penalty charges or sentences contact us on <u>mail@iranhr.net</u> or 0061478494849 on Signal, WhatsApp or Telegram.

It is important to note that all defendants in the following cases have been deprived of the right to access their own lawyer, due process and fair trials. In cases where they have had managed to make contact or details of their cases reported by cellmates and human rights defenders, all have been subjected to physical and mental torture to force false self-incriminating confessions. In many cases, their forced confessions were aired prior to the commencement of any legal proceedings, violating their right to be presumed innocent until proven guilty. There is ambiguity in many cases due to the Islamic Republic's lack of transparency.



1. MANOUCHEHR MEHMAN NAVAZ, 45 (منوچهر مهماننواز)



#### **CHARGES:**

- Arson of buildings with the intention of opposing the Islamic government/moharebeh punishment for throwing Molotov cocktails at a government building
- assembly and collusion against national security
- disrupting public order and security by creating controversy and commotion and participating in illegal gatherings

**STATUS:** Sentenced to death by Branch 28 of Tehran Revolutionary Court, presided by Judge Amouzad.



## 2. MOHAMMAD GHOBADLU, 22 (محمد قبادلو)

#### **CHARGES:**

*Efsad-fil-arz* through large-scale action against police by crashing into police with a car that caused the death of Farid Karampour Hasanvand and the injury of 5 police officers.

**STATUS:** Sentenced to death by Tehran Revolutionary Court, presided by Judge Salavati. Sentence <u>upheld</u>.



2<sup>nd</sup> CASE CHARGES: *Qisas* (retribution-in-kind) for murder.

**STATUS:** <u>Hearing</u> took place at Branch One of the Tehran Criminal Court on December 10 where Mohammad's bipolar disorder was raised. Court to <u>reconvene</u> after conducting further investigations.

## **3. SAMAN SEYDI, 24 (سامان سیدی)**



## **CHARGES:**

- Moharebeh through pulling handgun and firing 3 bullets in the air (pellet gun)
- Assembly and collusion against national security

**STATUS:** Sentenced to death by Tehran Revolutionary Court, presided by Judge Salavati. The Supreme Court has <u>referred</u> the case back to the court which issued the original sentence based on Article 469(b)(2) of the Code of Criminal Procedures.



## 4. MOHAMMAD BOROUGHANI, 19 (محمد بروغنى)

- *Moharebeh* through drawing a machete and attacking the Pakdasht city hall with a mob
- Arson of city hall
- Attacking and injuring a government official on duty, causing injury



**STATUS:** Sentenced to death by Tehran Public Revolutionary Court, presided by Judge Salavati. Sentence upheld.



5. MAHAN SADRAT-MADANI (MARANI), 22 (ماهان صدرات مدنى)

**CHARGES:** *Moharebeh* through drawing a cold weapon (knife).

**STATUS:** Death sentence issued by the Tehran Revolutionary Court, presided by Judge Iman Afshari. The case was referred to a court of equal standing by the Supreme Court based on Article 474(g) of the Islamic Penal Code.



## 6. SAHAND NOUR MOHAMMADZADEH, 25 (سهند نورمحمدزاده)

- *Moharebeh* through destruction and arson of public property to disrupt national order and security and opposing the Islamic government
- assembly and collusion against national security
- disturbing public order and peace by participating in illegal gatherings



**STATUS:** Sentenced to death by Branch 29 of the Tehran Revolutionary Court. The case was referred to a court of equal standing by the Supreme Court based on Article 474(g) of the Islamic Penal Code.

## (سعيد شيرازى) 7. SAEED SHIRAZI



## **CHARGES:**

*Efsad-fil-arz* through widespread incitement and encouragement of people to commit crimes against national security and order for sharing a tutorial on how to make molotov cocktails on Instagram.

**STATUS:** Tried by the Tehran Public Revolutionary Court, presided by Judge Salavati. Verdict unclear.



## 8. MOHSEN REZAZADEH-GHARAGHOLU, 21 (محسن رضازاده قراقلو)

- *Moharebeh* through participation in setting fire in a public device in order to disturb public order and security
- Assembly and collusion against national security
- Making explosive items such as Molotov cocktails for anti-security purposes



- Throwing stones at law enforcement officers

**STATUS:** Tried by the Tehran Public Revolutionary Court, presided by Judge Salavati. Verdict unclear.

(ابوالفضل مهرى حسين حاجىلو) 9. ABOLFAZL MEHRI HOSSEIN HAJILU, 17



#### **CHARGES:**

Opposing the Islamic government by setting fire to a vehicle in public use in order to disrupt national order and security for setting fire to 25 bins.

**STATUS:** Tried by the Tehran Public Revolutionary Court, presided by Judge Salavati. Verdict unclear.

The following five individuals have been sentenced to death in relation to the to the death of an IRGC Ruhollah Ajamian at the scene of Hadis Najafi's 40th day memorial on the Karaj-Qazvin motorway next to the cemetery on November 3.

10. MOHAMMAD MEHDI KARAMI, 22 (محمدمهدی کرمی)



- "efsad-fil-arz (corruption on earth) by committing crimes against national security
- attacking basiji forces



 assembly and collusion against national security and publishing calls against the government online"

**STATUS:** Sentenced to death by Branch One of the Alborz province Revolutionary Court, presided by Judge Asef Alhosseini. Case is currently at the <u>Supreme Court.</u>

## 11. SEYED MOHAMMAD HOSSEINI (سيد محمد حسينى)



CHARGES:

- *Efsad-fil-arz* (corruption on earth) by committing crimes against national security
- Attacking basiji forces
- Assembly and collusion against national security and publishing calls against the government online

**STATUS:** Sentenced to death by Branch One of the Alborz province Revolutionary Court, presided by Judge Asef Alhosseini. Case is currently at the <u>Supreme Court.</u>



## 12. HAMID GHAREH-HASSANLU, 53 (حميد قره حسنلو)

## Radiologist. CHARGES:

- *Efsad-fil-arz* (corruption on earth) by committing crimes against national security



Assembly and collusion against national security

**STATUS:** Sentenced to death by Branch One of the Alborz province Revolutionary Court, presided by Judge Asef Alhosseini. Case is currently at the <u>Supreme Court.</u>

13. HOSSEIN MOHAMMADI, 26 (حسين محمدى)



Theatre actor.

## **CHARGES:**

Efsad-fil-arz (corruption on earth) by committing crimes against national security

**STATUS:** Sentenced to death by Branch One of the Alborz province Revolutionary Court, presided by Judge Asef Alhosseini. Case is currently at the <u>Supreme Court.</u>

## (رضا آريا) 14. REZA ARIA, 43



## CHARGES:

*Efsad-fil-arz* by committing crimes against national security, attacking police and basiji forces, assembly and collusion against national security



**STATUS:** Sentenced to death by Branch One of the Alborz province Revolutionary Court, presided by Judge Asef Alhosseini. Case is currently at the <u>Supreme Court.</u>

## (توماج صالحی) 15. TOOMAJ SALEHI, 32



Famous rapper and human rights defender.

## CHARGES:

- Efsad-fil-arz through publishing widespread lies, causing major damage
- Forming and running an illegal group in order to disrupt national security
- Collaborating with a hostile state and inciting and encouraging others to commit violent acts

**STATUS:** Indicted by the Isfahan Revolutionary Court.

The following 10 people have been indicted for the death of three repressive forces in Isfahan on November 16. According to the <u>Isfahan judiciary</u>, the first four defendants are being tried by the Criminal Court and the remainder by the Revolutionary Court. While 9 were originally announced, ten were named in the indictment. **16. AMIR NASR AZADANI, 26 (**امير نصرآزادان)



Professional football player and the 5th defendant in the case.



## CHARGES:

- *Baghy* (armed rebellion) through membership of an organised armed group with the intention of opposing the Islamic Republic
- Membership of illegal group with intention to disrupt national security
- Assembly and collusion to commit security crimes, amounting to moharebeh

**STATUS:** Indicted by the Isfahan Revolutionary Court.

(سعيد يعقوبي) 17. SAEED YAGHOUBI, 30



CHARGES: Moharebeh

STATUS: Indicted.



(صالح میرهاشمی) 18. SALEH MIRHASHEMI, 36

**CHARGES:** Death penalty charges.

**STATUS:** Indicted.



## (سھیل جھانگیری) 19. SOHEIL JAHANGIRI, 21



Member of the U-21 Isfahan wrestling team. CHARGES: Death penalty charges.

**STATUS:** Indicted.

## (مجيد كاظمى) 20. MAJID KAZEMI, 30



CHARGES: Moharebeh and efsad-fil-arz.

**STATUS:** Indicted.



## 21. HOSSEIN KAZEMI, 34 (حسين كاظمى)



**CHARGES:** *Moharebeh* and *efsad-fil-arz.* 

**STATUS:** Indicted.

## 22. FARAMARZ SALEHI (فرامرز صالحی) CHARGES: Unknown.

**STATUS:** Indicted.

**23. JABER MIRHASHEMI (**جابر میرهاشمی**)** CHARGES: Unknown.

STATUS: Indicted.

**24. MEHDI MASHAYEKHI (**مهدی مشایخی**)** CHARGES: Unknown.

**STATUS:** Indicted.

## **25. ABOLFAZL BADIALAH (**ابوالفضل بادىاله**)** CHARGES: Unknown.



#### STATUS: Indicted.

## 26. HESHMATOLLAH TABARZADI, 63 (حشمت الله طبرزدى)



Political activist. CHARGES: Moharebeh.

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.

The following five individuals were arrested in relation to the case of the death of IRGC Arman Ali Verdi in Ekbatan on October 26. According to recently released photos by the Judiciary, there are at least four other unidentified men and a woman in the case. **27. MILAD ARMOUN, 22 (**ميلاد آرمون**)** 



He is the first defendant in the case. CHARGES: Death penalty charges.

STATUS: Charged.



## (نستوه نيكخواه بهرامي) 28. NASTOOH NIKKHAH-BAHRAMI, 25



**CHARGES:** Death penalty charges.

**STATUS:** Charged.

## (مهدی جهانی) 29. MEHDI JAHANI



**CHARGES:** Death penalty charges.

STATUS: Charged.



## 30. ALIREZA KAFAYI (عليرضا كفايي)



**CHARGES:** Death penalty charges.

**STATUS:** Charged.



(اکبر غفاری) 31. AKBAR GHAFFARI

Akbar was arrested for opening his home to fleeing protesters in Falah, Tehran. Under torture, he was forced to sign a confession to the murder of a policeman which he was unable to read due to illiteracy.

## **CHARGES:**

Moharebeh.



## 32. FARZAD TAHAZADEH, 26 (فرزاد طەزاده)



Brothers and protesters from Oshnavieh CHARGES: Moharebeh.

**STATUS:** Family were informed of their imminent executions which was later denied by <u>Islamic Republic officials</u> who claim the case has not reached trial stage and nobody has been sentenced to death in Oshnavieh.



## 33. FARHAD TAHAZADEH, 25 (فرهاد طەزاده)

Brothers and protesters from Oshnavieh CHARGES: Moharebeh.

**STATUS:** Family were informed of their imminent executions which was later denied by <u>Islamic Republic officials</u> who claim the case has not reached trial stage and nobody has been sentenced to death in Oshnavieh.



## (هژار حميدى) 34. HEJAR HAMIDI, 35



Oshnavieh protester. CHARGES: Moharebeh.

**STATUS:** Unclear.

Oshnavieh protester. CHARGES: Moharebeh.

**STATUS:** Unclear.

## 35. HIMAN SHAHI (KARVAN SHAHPARVANEH), 23 (هيمن شاهى)



## 36. SHAHRAM MAROUFMOLA, 22 (شهرام معروف ملا)



Oshnavieh protester. CHARGES: Moharebeh.

STATUS: Unclear.

## (رضا اسلامدوست) 37. REZA ESLAMDOUST, 24

Oshnavieh protester. CHARGES: Moharebeh.

**STATUS:** Unclear.

## (ايوب آغلياني) 38. AYOUB AGHLIANI



Oshnavieh protester. CHARGES: Death penalty charges.

STATUS: Unclear.



#### (اميد حسنزهي) 39. OMID HASSANZEHI, 20



One of five relatives from Cheshme Ziarat village arrested over the death of IRGC Behzad Barahouyi. Had alibi, was working at his job in a shop that day, which was confirmed by his employer.

CHARGES: Unclear.

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.



## 40. FARSHID HASSANZEHI, 25 (فرشيد حسنزهي)

One of five relatives from Cheshme Ziarat village arrested over the death of IRGC Behzad Barahouyi. Had alibi, was working at his job in a shop that day, which was confirmed by his employer.

CHARGES: Unclear.



## (بهزاد حسنزهی) 41. BEHZAD HASSANZEHI , 26



One of five relatives from Cheshme Ziarat village arrested over the death of IRGC Behzad Barahouyi. Had alibi, was working at his job in a shop that day, which was confirmed by his employer.

CHARGES: Unclear.

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.



## 42. JAMSHID HASSANZEHI, 29 (جمشيد حسنزهي)

One of five relatives from Cheshme Ziarat village arrested over the death of IRGC Behzad Barahouyi. Had alibi, was working at his job in a shop that day, which was confirmed by his employer.

CHARGES: Unclear.



## 43. ESMAIL HASSANZEHI, 30 (اسماعيل حسنزهى)



One of five relatives from Cheshme Ziarat village arrested over the death of IRGC Behzad Barahouyi. Had alibi, was working as *sookhtbar* (fuel-carrier) that day. **CHARGES:** Unclear.

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.



(ابراهیم ریگی) 44. EBRAHIM RIGI, 34

Medical student who treated those injured at Zahedan's "Bloody Friday" on September 30. **CHARGES:** *Moharebeh* 



## 45. ALI (MAKAN) DAVARI, 19 (على داورى)



**CHARGES:** *Moharebeh, efsad-fil-arz* and assembly and collusion against national security. Held in Lahijan Prison.

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.



46. NEZAMEDIN HOOT, 20 (نظام الدين هوت)

Protester arrested in Chabahar. CHARGES: Moharebeh and efsad-fil-arz.



## 47. MANSOUR HOOT, 25 (منصور هوت)



Protester arrested in Chabahar. CHARGES: Moharebeh and efsad-fil-arz.

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.

48. MANSOUR DAHMARDEH, 22 (منصور دهمرده)

Disabled bus driver arrested on the route from Zahedan to Bandar Abbas. CHARGES:

Efsad-fil-arz.

STATUS: charged.



## 49. ABDOLMALEK DOUSTI (عبدالمالک دوستی)



Physically tortured to confess to the destruction and arson of a bank and public property **CHARGES:** 

Moharebeh and efsad-fil-arz.

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.

## 50. MOHAMMAD RAKHSHANI-AZAD, 16 (محمد رخشاني آزاد)



Baluch boy with epilepsy who was arrested the day after Zahedan's Bloody Friday. CHARGES:

Moharebeh.



## 51. ALI RAKHSHANI-AZAD, 15 (على رخشاني آزاد)



Mohammad's younger brother who was arrested the day after Zahedan's Bloody Friday. CHARGES:

Moharebeh.

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.



# (شعیب میربلوچزهی ریگی) 52. SHOEIB MIRBALUCHZEHI RIGI, 18

Baluch protester. CHARGES: Efsad-fil-arz.

**STATUS:** Sentenced to death.



## (امید کاشانی) 53. OMID KASHANI, 26



Sookhtbar (fuel carrier) and close friend of Khodanour Lejei. CHARGES: Unclear

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.



54. HOSSEIN KASHANI, 29 (حسين كاشانى)

Close friend of Khodanour Lejei, arrested the day after Zahedan's Bloody Friday. **CHARGES:** 

Unclear



## (فرهاد نخعی) 55. FARHAD NAKHAEI, 18



Baluch arrested at protest against rape of 15 year old girl Baluch girl by the Chabahar police chief.

CHARGES: Unclear

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.



## 56. MOHAMMAD FOULADI, 18 (محمد فولادی)

Baluch arrested at protest against rape of 15 year old girl Baluch girl by the Chabahar police chief.

CHARGES: Unclear



## (عادل گرگیج) 57. ADEL GARGIJ, 22



Baluch protester. CHARGES: Moharebeh.

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.

The following three individuals were arrested in connection with the death of Friday Imam Sajad Shahraki.

## (محمدرضا نارویی شیرانی) 58. MOHAMMADREZA NAROUYI-SHIRANI, 48



He is believed to have been arrested in place of his son, Arash who managed to escape. **CHARGES:** Unclear

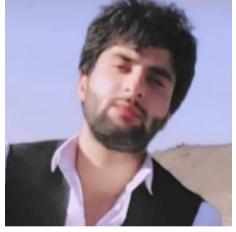


## (اسماعيل شەبخش) 59. ESMAIL SHEHBAKHSH, 41



He was friends with Arash Narouyi-Shirani and Ruhollah Kahrazehi and was arrested after hosting Arash at his home for one night. **CHARGES:** Unclear

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.



## (روحالله کهرازهی) 60. RUHOLLAH KAHRAZEHI, 21

He was friends with Arash Narouyi-Shirani. CHARGES: Unclear



#### 61. MEISAM MOBARHAN, (ميثم مبرهن)



Azeri protester tortured to confess to making molotov cocktails while drunk and destruction of property including the Islamic Republic flag in Malekan, East Azerbaijan. While the Malekan prosecutor <u>denied</u> the security charges, his self-incriminating forced confessions to capital offences have been aired.

CHARGES: Moharebeh.

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.

(پوريا جواهرى) 62. POURIA JAVAHERI



Worker and protester arrested in Kamyaran, Kurdistan province, and forced to confess to the killing of IRGC Reza Azarbar. CHARGES: *Moharebeh*.

**STATUS:** unclear.



#### 63. MAHSA MOHAMMADI, 22 (مهسا محمدی)



Microbiology student in Sabzevar, Razavi Khorasan province, arrested for a tweet. **CHARGES:** *Sabol-nabi* (insulting the prophet).

**STATUS:** unclear.

## 64. MOJGAN KAVOUSI (مژگان کاووسی)



Kurdish language teacher, author, researcher and human rights defender. **CHARGES:** *Efsad-fil-arz*, publishing lies, inciting people to war and killing, and collaborating with a hostile government.

**STATUS:** Charged by the Sari Revolutionary Court.



#### (بيتا حقانى) 65. BITA HAGHANI, 22



Blogger and student. CHARGES: Efsad-fil-arz.

**STATUS:** Charged by the Sari Revolutionary Court.

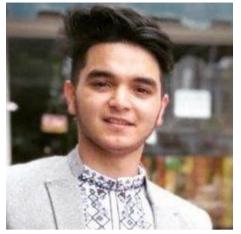


## 66. REZA RASAYI, 34 (رضا رسایی)

Arrested in relation to the death of IRGC Nader Beirami at a ceremony held for Yarsani leader, Seyed Khalil Alinejad, which people used as an opportunity to protest, holding "Women, Life, Liberty" signs. Authorities falsely claim the gathering which they violently crushed, was unrelated to protests. He was tortured to force self-incriminating confessions to the murder. There are other unknown defendants in this case. **CHARGES:** *Moharebeh*.



## 67. DANIAL GHEZELJAYI, 22 (دانيال قزلجايي)



Turkaman poet and law student who penned a poem for women. **CHARGES:** *Moharebeh.* 

**STATUS:** At risk of death penalty charges.



68. HASSAN FIROUZI (حسن فيروزى)

A young father reportedly at high risk of death after being subjected to torture to force selfincriminating confessions as a protest leader. **CHARGES:** *Moharebeh* 

**STATUS:** Unclear, reports of sentence being issued.



#### **69. SAJAD IMANNEJAD, 31 (**سجاد ایماننژاد)



Protester. CHARGES: Moharebeh

**STATUS:** At risk of death penalty charges.



Kurdish protester forced to confess to setting fire to a bank. **CHARGES:** *Moharebeh* 

STATUS: Charged.

رتوحيد درويش) 70. TOHID DARWISH, 27



#### 71. ASHKAN MORAVATI, 26 (اشکان مروتی)



Kurdish protester who was shot and arrested after confronting security forces alone. **CHARGES:** *Moharebeh* 

**STATUS:** Charged.

## 72. MOJAHED KOURKOUR (مجاهد کورکور)



Bakhtiari man arrested and tortured to force confession to killing 10-year-old Kian Pirfalak who was killed by security forces in Izeh on November 17. His forced confessions have been aired.

CHARGES: death penalty charges.

STATUS: Unclear.



## رپرهام پروری) 73. PARHAM PARVARI, 25 (پرهام پروری)



Swimming champion from Saqqez. CHARGES: Moharebeh

**STATUS:** at risk of death penalty charges.



(جواد روحى) 74. JAVAD ROUHI, 35

Amol protester. CHARGES: Moharebeh

STATUS: charged (and sentenced according to video by parents)

The following three individuals were arrested in relation to a foiled bomb attack in Shiraz. The forced confessions of four men and a woman have been aired. Mohammad Kheiveh and Dena Sheibani have been released, the following three men are at risk of death penalty charges in relation to the incident.

(اشراق نجف آبادی) 75. ESHRAGH NAJAFABADI, 30





Cycling instructor from Shiraz. CHARGES: *Efsad-fil-arz*.

**STATUS:** Unclear.

## 76. HESSAM MOUSAVI (حسام موسوى)



Rock climbing instructor from Shiraz. **CHARGES:** *Efsad-fil-arz.* 

**STATUS:** Unclear.



(امير ارسلان مهدوى) 77. AMIR ARSALAN MAHVADI, 34

Snowboarding instructor from Shiraz. CHARGES: Efsad-fil-arz.

**STATUS:** Unclear.

The following 23 individuals are protesters from Baghe Malek in Khuzestan who have been indicted for charges of moharebeh and efsad-fil-arz in the same case. No further details are available.

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(امین امیری) 78. AMIN AMIRI
79. MILAD ZAKAVI (میلاد زکوی)
80. SAEED RAYGANI MAJ (سعید رایگانیماج)
(مجيد يوسفي هزاروند) 81. MAJID YOUSEFI HEZARVAND
82. NILOUFAR GHAHREMANI (نيلوفر قهرماني)
83. MOHAMMAD BAKHSHI (محمد بخشى)
84. SEYEDEH SHIRIN MARASHI (سيده شيرين مرعشى)
(مجتى فرخواجهميري) 85. MOJTABA FARKHAJEH MIRI
86. MOSLEM NOROUZI NASAB (مسلم نوروزی نسب)
(ارسلان کردی) 87. ARSALAN KORDI
(جمال قاسمياننسب) 88. JAMAL GHASEMIAN NASAB
(سيدمحمد طباطباي) 89. SEYED MOHAMAD TABATABAI
90. ELHAM SARIRIZADEH (الهام صريرىزاده)
91. SASAN ZANGANEH (ساسان زنگنه)
(يوسف آخشيخ) 92. YOUSEF AKH SHEIKH
(مصطفى كردى) 93. MOSTAFA KORDI
(جمشيد قاسميان سرشت) 94. JAMSHID GHASEMIAN SERESHT
(ولى الله عادلزاده) 95. VALIOLLAH ADELZADEH
96. SAJAD SHAFIEI (سجاد شفيعي)
97. MOHAMAD JAVAD KORDI (محمدجواد کردی)
(سلمان عيوضي نژاد) 98. SALMAN EIVAZINEJAD
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## 99. HAMZEH SHAFIEI (حمزه شفيعى) 100. MOHAMAD NAZARI (محمد نظرى)

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

#### Moharebeh

Article 279 of the IPC defines moharebeh (enmity against god) as "drawing a weapon on the life, property or chastity of people or to cause terror as it creates the atmosphere of insecurity." Article 282 sets out the punishments of "death penalty, crucifixion, amputation of right hand and left leg and banishment" which the judge has the discretion to choose per Article 283. This includes "bandits, robbers and smugglers" who take up arms (Article 281 of the IPC).

Under the previous IPC, which was in force until 2013, the charge of moharebeh was frequently used against political dissidents and people with connections to opposition groups abroad, regardless of whether they had personally used violence or not. The current IPC has provided for their punishment under the vague charges of *efsad- fil-arz* and *baghy*.

## Efsad-fil-arz

Article 286 of the IPC defines *efsad-fil-arz* (corruption on earth) as the crime committed by a person "on an extensive level against the physical integrity of others, the domestic or external security, spreads lies, disrupts the national economic system, undertakes arson and destruction, disseminates poisonous, microbiological and dangerous substances, establishes corruption and prostitution centres or assists in establishing them." However, this article does not provide concrete definitions for the term "crime" and the scope of "extensive" for its purpose, giving judges more power to interpret the law at their own discretion.

#### Baghy

Article 287 of the IPC defines members of any group that stages armed rebellion against the Islamic Republic of Iran as "*baaghy*" (one who carries out *baghy* or armed rebellion), and states that its members shall be sentenced to death on charges of *baghy* if using weapons.