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Maryam Arvin

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Maryam Arvin was a humanitarian lawyer who died for the people she loved

Maryam Arvin, 29, was an attorney-at-law and a member of the Lawyers Association in Kerman Province. Dr. Maryam Arvin was an exceptional student at Ferdowsi University of Mashhad, where she obtained her law degree at age 25 and completed her doctorate in law at 28.

Besides her legal pursuits, Maryam had a passion for poetry and writing, and she even published a treatise titled "The Rights of the Accused in Legal Proceedings with a $\label{problem:continuous} \textit{Jurisprudential Approach."} \ \textit{Furthermore, she served as a university lecturer in Sirjan}$



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Even before the 2022-2023 nationwide uprising, Maryam's manuscripts revealed her unwavering concern for the rights of women who faced discrimination in the education



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Dr. Arvin provided counseling and support to the families of protesters detained in Sirjan.

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Maryam Arvin, a humanitarian lawyer, defended the poor and homeles

Reports on social networks claim that Maryam Arvin engaged in a heated argument with the judge of the Revolutionary Court while defending a 15-year-old orphan boy who lacked the financial means to hire a lawyer. In response to the judge's verdict, she asserted that the boy should have been sent to a correctional center rather than prison.

Following this incident, the Intelligence Police Department contacted her and summoned her to answer some questions. Upon arriving at the Intelligence Police Department, Maryam Arvin discovered that they had filed a case against her, accusing her of inciting protests and participating in them. When she requested evidence to support these allegations, she was informed that she would need to appear in court the following day.

On the morning of Saturday, November 26, 2022, Maryam Arvin and her mother visited the Sirjan courthouse. Upon arrival, they encountered an officer named Zahra Alizadeh, who subjected Maryam to violent and insulting treatment by handcuffing her. When her mother protested, she was handcuffed, and both were arrested.

Dr. Maryam Arvin and her mother were released on bail on December 13, 2022. However, on February 7, 2023, the Kerman Lawyers Association made a solemn announcement regarding Maryam Arvin's passing, which occurred two months after her release from prison. The cause of her death was not specified in the statement.



The tomb of Maryam Arvin in Sirjan, Kerman

Subsequently, on Friday, February 10, 2023, four days after her untimely demise, Dr. Maryam Arvin was laid to rest in Sirjan, Kerman province, located in southern Iran.

On that same day, the Public and Revolutionary Prosecutor's Office of Sirjan issued a statement claiming that Dr. Maryam Arvin had taken her own life through suicide, using medication.

Tayyebeh Nazari, the mother of the late activist lawyer Maryam Arvin, revealed that her daughter's death resulted from a drug injection while in prison.

On May 29, 2023, Tayyebeh Nazari took to her Instagram account to express that her daughter, Maryam Arvin, who was arrested for defending her clients, met her demise due to drugs injected into her in prison, supposedly done under the pretext of administering tranquilizers and sedatives.

Tayyebeh Nazari, who works as a literature teacher in high schools in Sirjan, further disclosed that the prison doctor confirmed the injuries Ms. Arvin sustained while in prison in a letter.

Moreover, Tayyebeh Nazari shed light on the violence during her daughter's arrest, stating that a female officer known as "Mobina," along with an intelligence officer from the State Security Force named Hamid Zeydabadi, were involved. They allegedly handcuffed Maryam Arvin in the courthouse corridor, forcibly removed her veil, and

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Additionally, Tayyebeh Nazari emphasized that a week after her daughter's passing, Branch 103 of the Criminal Court handed down a 15-month prison sentence, a one million Toman fine, and 40 lashes for Ms. Arvin, all of which were given in absentia but later suspended.

Maryam Arvin is not the first case of a detainee who died after being released from

The cases of Maryam Arvin, Yalda Aghafazli, Arshia Imamgholi, and Mohsen Jafari-Rad are deeply troubling, as they represent a concerning pattern of detainees dying after being released from prison, including instances of suicide. The circumstances surrounding their deaths raise questions and uncertainties about the treatment they may have experienced while in detention or after their release.



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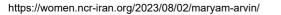
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MARYAM ARVIN'S ALLEGED MURDER IN PRISON SPARKS OUTRAGE

Written by Amineh Qaraee on June 4, 2023. Posted in NEWS



Tayyebeh Nazari, the grief-stricken mother of late activist lawyer Maryam Arvin, revealed the heartrending truth surrounding her daughter's untimely death through an Instagram post on May 29, 2023. She alleged that Maryam, an illustrious lawyer known for her altruistic services, was killed due to a drug injection while in prison.

Arvin, 29, hailed from Kerman Province and was a committed member of the regional Lawyers Association. Notably, she dedicated her life to fighting for the rights of deprived individuals, welfare children, and child laborers. Her steadfast commitment to her clients led to her arrest at a Sirjan court on November 26, 2022. Despite being released on bail on December 13, her health declined rapidly, and she died only two months later.

Nazari's post brought to light the gruesome details of Maryam's final days. Nazari further recalled the brutality her daughter faced during her arrest. State Security Force intelligence officer Hamid Zeydabadi and female officer Zahra Alizadeh, alias "Mobina," were accused of handcuffing and dragging Maryam in the courthouse, going so far as to remove her veil. This ruling, however, was later suspended.



In a twist of fate, Nazari herself faced the wrath of the justice system for pursuing her daughter's case. She received a 15-month prison sentence, a fine of one million Tomans, and 40 lashes, as pronounced by Branch 103 of the Criminal Court.

The announcement of Maryam's demise by the Kerman Lawyers Association on February 7, 2023, left many unanswered questions. Notably, the cause of her death was left unmentioned. Maryam's tragic end adds to a concerning trend of recent deaths among released detainees, such as Yalda Aghafazli, Arshia Imamgholi, and Mohsen Jafarirad, most of which have been dubiously labeled as "suicides."

This grim series of events serves as a stark reminder of the relentless scrutiny and hazardous conditions faced by human rights activists in their quest for justice. It also raises serious questions about the state's treatment of prisoners and the disturbing pattern of suspicious deaths following detainee release.

On December 13, 2022, Maryam Arvin was released on bail, and the court was supposed to issue a verdict for her in the following days.



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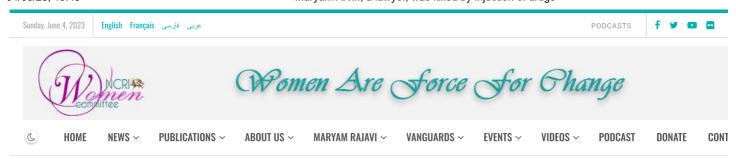
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May 31, 2023 in Women's News

Tayyebeh Nazari, the mother of the deceased activist lawyer, Maryam Arvin, announced that the cause of her daughter's death was the injection of drugs in prison.

On Monday, May 29, 2023, Tayyebeh Nazari wrote on her Instagram account that her daughter, Maryam Arvin, who had been arrested for defending her clients, was killed by drugs in prison under the pretext of injecting tranquilizers and sedatives.

Tayyebeh Nazari added that the prison doctor had confirmed in a letter the injuries Ms. Arvin sustained in prison.

Tayyebeh Nazari also emphasized that one week after her daughter's death, Branch 103 of the Criminal Court handed down a 15-month prison sentence, a fine of one million Tomans, and 40 lashes for Ms. Nazari, in absentia, which was later suspended.

Tayyebeh Nazari also addressed the violence during her daughter's arrest and added: A female officer named Zahra Alizadeh, known as "Mobina," along with an intelligence officer from the State Security Force named Hamid Zeydabadi, handcuffed Maryam Arvin in the corridor of the courthouse, removed her veil, and dragged her on the ground.

Tayyebeh Nazari, who teaches literature in high schools in Sirjan, was also arrested after following up on her daughter's situation.





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Maryam Arvin was detained for defending her clients

Maryam Arvin, 29, was an attorney-in-law and a member of the Lawyers Association in Kerman Province.

Ms. Arvin voluntarily pursued the cases of deprived individuals, children on welfare, and child laborers.

She was arrested in a court in Sirjan on November 26, 2022. The judge ordered her arrest because she was professionally defending her client.

Dr. Maryam Arvin counseled the families of the protesters detained in Sirjan.

On December 13, 2022, Maryam Arvin was released on bail, and the court was supposed to issue a verdict for her in the following days.

However, the Kerman Lawyers Association announced on February 7, 2023, that Maryam Arvin, an attorney-in-law, had passed away two months after her release from prison. The cause of her death was not specified in the statement.

In the past months, several detainees of the nationwide protests have suspiciously died after their release, and their deaths have been attributed to "suicide."

The deaths of several prisoners after their release, such as Yalda Aghafazli, Arshia Imamgholi, and Mohsen Jafarirad, have raised many questions about the government's treatment of prisoners.

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Dr. Maryam Arvin is not the first detainee who died after being released from prison

Dr. Maryam Arvin was laid to rest today, Friday, February 10, 2023, four days after her suspicious death. Her funeral was held in Sirjan, Kerman province, in southern Iran.

Maryam Arvin, a lawyer, passed away two months after being released from prison, the Kerman Lawyers Association announced on February 7. The statement did not specify the reason for Maryam Arvin's death.

Maryam Arvin was arrested on November 26, 2022, during a court session in Sirjan. The presiding judge ordered her arrest for doing her professional work of defending her client.

Dr. Maryam Arvin gave counseling to the families of detained protesters in Sirjan.

Security agents attacked Ms. Arvin, pulled off her head covering, and dragged her to the ground.

Mrs. Tayyebeh Nazari, who teaches literature in Sirjan's high schools, was also arrested after going to follow up on her daughter's condition.

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Dr. Maryam Arvin and her mother, Tayyebeh Nazari (left picture)

Dr. Maryam Arvin and her mother were temporarily released on bail on December 13, 2022.

According to Dr. Arvin's uncle, she was badly brutalized while being arrested.

Dr. Maryam Arvin was an elite student becoming a lawyer at age 25 and earned her doctorate in law at 28.

Maryam Arvin reportedly got into a verbal conflict with the Revolutionary Court judge due to her defense of the protesters who did not have the money to hire a lawyer.



Her lawyers' certificate and two scenes from today's funeral

The Public and Revolutionary Prosecutor's Office of Sirjan issued a statement today, Friday, February 10, 2023, claiming that Dr. Maryam Arvin had committed suicide. The Prosecutor, Nikvarz, said she took her own life by using some medicine.

Maryam Arvin is not the first case of a detainee who died after being released from prison.

Other protesters have also committed suicide after being released from prison. They include Yalda Aghafazli, Arshia Imamgholi, and Mohsen Jafari-Rad. It is unclear whether prison authorities feed or inject them with some deadly drug before releasing them or they commit suicide due to the torture they endured in detention.



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Maryam Arvin

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The public prosecutor of Sirjan in southern Iran has announced that a lawyer, who died two months after release from prison, committed "suicide by using medicinal products".

Maryam Arvin, who was arrested on September 26 during the Sirjan protests, was released on December 13 on bail.

Mohsen Nikvarz also claimed that Maryam Arvin, "had a history of suicide



However, he did not mention any possible link between Arvin's suicide and torture during the detention and interrogation reported in her case.

"Creating fake news is not new and for sure such lies and rumors will not be accepted by the people at all," added the Sirjan prosecutor.

Arvin's case was appealed after a ruling by the preliminary court and was being discussed in the appeals court, he said and claimed that she was among those pardoned by the Islamic Republic ruler Ali Khamenei.

This is not the first time that a detainee commits suicide after being released from prison. In recent months, several other prisoners have died shortly after their release.

On Tuesday, Baluch Activists Campaign announced a teenager Benyamin Kouhkan arrested during protests has attempted suicide in Zahedan prison, southeast of Iran, due to severe physical, sexual and mental torture.

According to the human rights organization, the teenager was arrested by the Revolutionary Guard intelligence in Zahedan on January 3, but he tried to take his own life after being severely tortured.

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The International Organization of Lawyers in Danger (OIAD) expresses its dismay and horror regarding the situation in Iran, particularly with regard to the dozens of lawyers arbitrarily detained and the serious violations of the rights of the defense in the context of the massive use of the death penalty.

Since the beginning of the brutal and relentless repression of peaceful citizen demonstrations in September 2022 by the Iranian authorities, 525 protesters, including 71 minors, have been killed.

To date, 19,546 people have been counted as "disappeared" while only 5019 detainees have been identified and counted in prison.

The legal profession has not been spared by the repression. The demonstration organized by the Tehran Bar Association on 12 October 2022 was violently repressed.

Since September 2022, 45 lawyers have been arrested. Of these, 18[1] are still in detention and 27[2] have been released on bail and are facing prosecution.

The Iranian regime has already sentenced some 20 protesters to death after summary trials without any procedural safeguards and based on confessions that are believed to have been obtained under torture.

Mohsen Shekari, Majid Reza Rahnavard, Mohammad Mehdi Karami, Sayed Mohammad Hosseini were executed between 8 December 2022 and 7 January 2023.

The OIAD recalls that Iranian lawyers have been subjected to systematic pressure and harassment in various ways for many years and are often equated with their clients or their clients' cause as a result of performing their duties.

The OIAD condemns in the strongest terms the intolerable repression of the Iranian people and lawyers.

The OIAD denounces the intolerable violations of the rights of detained persons, including lawyers, and has joined the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Independence of Judges and Lawyers in requesting her intervention on behalf of Iranian lawyers who are victims of abuses perpetrated in consideration of their professional activity or deprived of the practice of law.

The OIAD demands that protesters who are the subject of proceedings, whether detained or not, be given a real, independent and immediate defense by a lawyer.

The OIAD calls for the immediate release and dismissal of all lawyers arrested and prosecuted for any action taken in the course of their work.

The OIAD reiterates its opposition to the death penalty in all circumstances and denounces the conditions under which arrested protesters are tried, sentenced and executed, in violation of fundamental procedural safeguards.

The OIAD welcomes the European Parliament Resolution of January 19, 2023 on the European Union's reaction to the demonstrations and executions in Iran and calls on European states and the European Union to take all possible diplomatic action to stop this situation.

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