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Conditions in Great Tehran Penitentiary

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Ward 3, Type 6 of the Great Tehran Penitentiary, currently houses around 500 individuals who were arrested during the nationwide protests of 2022. This ward is overcrowded, and inmates suffer from poor living conditions, including unhealthy drinking water, inadequate sanitation, and insufficient food portions. Additionally, prison officials are not returning prisoners' belongings upon their release, causing further distress.

According to HRANA, the news agency of Human Rights Activists, about 550 individuals arrested during the 2022 nationwide protests are held in poor conditions in Great Tehran Penitentiary.

They are held in Ward 3, Type 6, which is twice its intended capacity.

According to one family member of an inmate, "this ward has about 250 beds, and more than half of the inmates have to sleep on the floor."

In addition to the lack of sleeping accommodations, prison officers do not provide any toiletries, and inmates must purchase these items from the overpriced prison store.

Another inmate's family member expressed concern about the poor quality of drinking water, saying that "inmates have to purchase water from the prison store" and that "meals are also of low quality and insufficient."

Furthermore, released prisoners are not receiving their personal belongings back, such as wristwatches and cell phones, and inquiries about these items have gone unanswered. One prisoner, who was recently released, reported this issue to HRANA.

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