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Photos Prove Iranian Political Prisoner



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Pevman Galvani

 $Several\ photos\ have\ been\ released\ proving\ that\ Iranian\ Kurdish\ political\ prisoner\ Peyman\ Galvani\ was\ tortured\ to\ death\ in\ detention.$

Galvani, 24, whose death was announced July 9 was a resident of Mahabad in western Iran and was admitted to Khomeini Hospital after falling into a coma, according to Hengaw Human Rights.

On Tuesday, Radio Farda released the photos of his bruised and battered body that indicated the severity of his injuries.



This photo shows the injuries and bruises on Peyman Galvani's legs.

His family was informed that Galwani had "fallen from a height" leading to his comatose state.

According Hengaw, he died about two weeks after he was violently arrested by the security forces at his family home in Mahabad on June 25.

In the hospital, two security officers kept watch over him and prohibited family visits other than one exception made for his sister who observed extensive bruises on his body, head, and face.

His family says his death was the result of torture inflicted by the security forces, since the otherwise healthy young man did not have any preexisting medical conditions.



This photo shows the injuries and bruises on Peyman Galvani's back.

He is the second political prisoner who succumbed to his injuries in less than 24 hours as the regime continues its brutal suppression of opponents.

Kurdish human rights organizations reported Sunday that Mousa Esmaili, a political prisoner from Piranshahr in Iran's West Azarbaijan province was also tortured to death.

Iranian intelligence and security agencies often bring unsubstantiated charges against dissidents, who are then tried behind closed doors without a lawyer. Several have died in unclear circumstances and torture.





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