

# After Gay Sex Tape, Iran Regime Now Faces "State Of Intimacy" Revelations Of Woman In Hijab

A scandal of the secret gay life of a senior Tehran official set off ricocheting accusations in the regime. Now compromising photos have emerged of a top state broadcasting manager with a female employee, who nonetheless kept her hair covered. The piousness of the Islamic Republic is ever more called into question.



Photo purportedly showing a director of Iran's state broadcasting body in a "state of intimacy" with a female employee of the organization.

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The Islamic Republic of Iran, a state that touts itself as a defender of morality, is facing more revelations about the sexual shenanigans of its officials. Like the circulation of a gay sex tape earlier this summer, an Instagram profile named as *Radio Gilan* is behind the X-rated disclosures, meant above all to show the vile hypocrisy of a regime that beats, imprisons and even executes ordinary folks for deviating from Islamic moral norms.

In the latest incident, *Radio Gilan* has published pictures, purportedly showing a director of the state broadcasting body in a "state of intimacy" with a female employee of the organization. Whatever else might have happened, as the pictures show, at least she kept her Islamic headscarf *hijab* on!

Iranian Twitter or X users reacted to the pictures, observing that both the director, named as Muhammad Masudianfar, the head of the state broadcaster's education and leisure services, and the unnamed woman were married and with children in other families. For ordinary Iranians, this would constitute adultery and could in the worst cases, lead to execution. But as another X user observed, "this footage shows how much immunity the *hijab* will get you!"

The two were reported as being members of their local Basij militia – which often patrols the streets checking on people's attire – while Masudianfar had a reputation for extreme, and visible, *piety* at work.

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Colleagues insist the official never attended meetings without ablutions (meant to precede your prayers) and "fasted most of the time." *Radio Gilan*'s profile also claims Masudianfar has residency in Germany, meaning the EU.

Before posting the pictures, it had warned the broadcasting body's chief, Peyman Jabali, that "you didn't seem to take our warning seriously," telling colleagues not to heed *Radio Gilan* as its revelations were fake.

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The profile had issued similar warnings to officials before posting previous footage online, telling them to act against the individuals shown, though nothing was done. This appeared not to be Masudianfar's only affair with a female employee of Voice and Vision of the Islamic Republic, as the broadcaster is termed. Officials had yet to react.

*Radio Gilan* had earlier put out pictures and videos of other officials engaged in homosexual relations, in the northern province of Gilan. One was named as a mid-ranking cleric and head of the [local morality offices](#), Hojjatoleslam Mehdi Haqshenas. The profile recently added that his wife had since asked for a divorce and may have tried to commit suicide.

The interesting point in the pictures, besides showing a [regime's outrageous hypocrisy](#), was their clarity, suggesting preparation beforehand and access to government premises. As some are saying in Iran, [somebody inside the regime](#) has decided to bite the bloodstained hand that feeds it.

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## A level of hypocrisy

Some of the videos were so well-shot and clear that it seemed highly improbable they could have been taken spontaneously or for personal use.

Government and judiciary officials had to react to defend the regime's reputation as an upholder of moral values. Just months before, the state had furiously turned on thousands of protesters objecting to morality agents beating a girl to death over [a loose headscarf](#).

In this case, some observers in Iran suspect the involvement of security officials in the revelations, though nobody is quite clear on the motives. These may include rivalries over positions, while some see in the revelations another sign of [dissension inside the state](#) following the 2022 revolt. Even regime hands are not in agreement over what to make of it all.

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Reza Saqati, a senior Iranian official involved in a gay sex tape scandal [Kacper/Twitter](#)

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## "Don't rush to judge"

One member of the parliamentary National Security Committee was reported on July 24 as saying, "we knew about this before the tape and had told [the minister](#) about it," though the minister, Muhammad Mehdi Ismaili, denied this on July 29, saying there had been no "negative reports" on the official before the "obscene" revelations. The legislator, Morteza Mahmudvand, told the website *Dideban-e Iran* that the entire affair had "hidden roots and aspects" he could not talk about. But all those who had failed to divulge "this affair" were traitors, he said.

Some parliamentarians were critical of the director-general's dismissal. The MP for the northern district of Sumaa Sara, Kazem Delkhosh, said "the devil has made a proposal here, so I would ask our friends to respond on the basis of *The Qur'an and hadith* [anecdotes on the Prophet Muhammad], and let public servants do their work within the law. Don't rush to judge."

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Saqati had a typical regime profile, with a "martyred" brother from the Iran-Iraq war. This is often used as social, administrative or political credit. While in office, he founded a "[Hijab and modesty](#)" work group in Gilan, meant to promote, or enforce, public morals in and around the provincial capital Rasht, in coordination with the *Basij* militia and the Revolutionary guards. These are often involved in "morality" checks on the street alongside the police.

One problem with his work group – besides its rank hypocrisy – was its ties with state and religious officials. It was partly staffed by members of a religious association run by the brother of a former, senior defense official, [Saeed Jalili](#). Saqati is believed to have found his "boyfriends" from among the [very same Basijis](#) or association members. It wasn't a one-off thing, as revelations or charges made by an Instagram channel known as *Radio Gilan*, suggest.

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own intelligence office is thought to have bugged his phone a while back. The pictures of him were taken by a camera placed in his official guesthouse, where he would relax.

Saqati was active in the province's religious life before his appointment. He would participate in the flagellation ceremonies associated with the Shia religious calendar, and there were already reports and complaints of "indecent" conduct at some of them. Some in town already knew he liked boys. In one video, he is reportedly with an 18-year-old who had asked Saqati to use his position to help him complete his two-year military service in Gilan, or not far from home.

Again, informal reports have the young man telling interrogators that he had been forced to be with Saqati several times. Sex-related revelations have emerged about other regime hands, notably a member of the [Anzali municipal council](#) in northern Iran, and a singer of [propaganda](#) hymns, Abuzar Ruhi. On July 31, *Radio Gilan* accused another provincial official and cleric, [Mehdi Haqshenas](#), of having had sex with a male relative, adding senior clerics had intervened to keep this quiet.

The revelations and their timing may point to divisions inside the regime, but in any case, could they possibly embarrass a regime whose record of killings shows it has neither [shame nor scruples](#)?

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