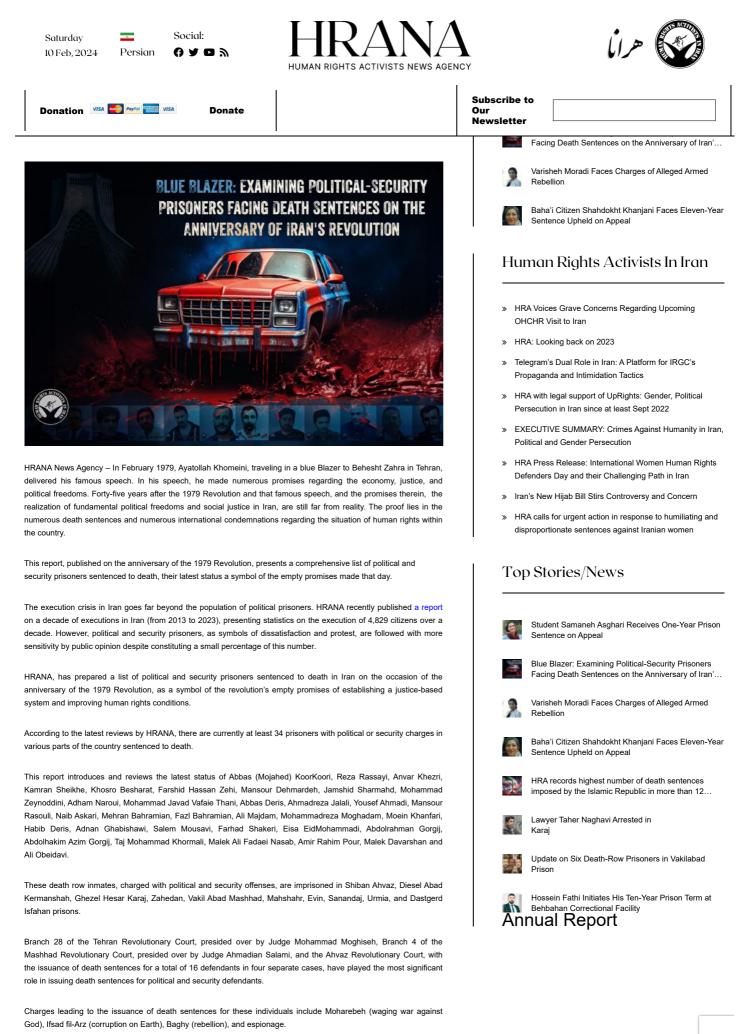
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and security charges are provided:

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10 Feb, 2024 - Abbas (Molahed) Korkoop

Prison Location: Shiban Prison, Ahvaz

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Prominent Charges: Moharebeh (waging war against God) through bearing arms, Ifsad fil-Arz (corruption on Earth) through shooting with a military weapon, causing significant bodily harm visa 💨 🕬 🚟 visa f sev 🛛 Donate ning a rebel group Issuing Court: Branch 1 of ure revolutionary Court in Ahvaz

Latest Case Status: The death sentence confirmed by the Supreme Court and the case referred to the execution branch of the court in Izeh

1 The Judiciary Media Center claims that Abbas (Mojahed) KoorKoori, a prisoner incarcerated in Shiban Prison, Ahvaz, is accused of murdering Kian Pirfalak, a child who died during the nationwide protests in 2021. Despite these claims, Pirfalak's family, including Zeynab Molaee Rad, the child's mother, has repeatedly denied this accusation, stating that their child was killed due to gunfire by forces affiliated with the government.



2- Reza Rassayi

Prison Location: Diesel Abad Prison, Kermanshah

Prominent Charges: Direct involvement in the premeditated murder of Nader Birami, the head of the IRGC intelligence in Sahneh city

Issuing Court: Branch 2 of the Criminal Court of Kermanshah

Latest Case Status: The death sentence confirmed by the Supreme Court, the request for a retrial rejected by the Supreme Court, and the case referred to the execution branch of the criminal court in Kermanshah

I Reza Rassayi, a 34-year-old adherent of the Yarsan faith, was arrested by the intelligence officers in Shahr-e Rey, Tehran, on November 24, 2022, and then transferred to Diesel Abad Prison in Kermanshah. His arrest followed the death of Nader Birami, the head of the IRGC intelligence in Sahneh city, during a commemoration ceremony for the 21st death anniversary of Seved Khalil Alineiad, one of the former leaders of the Yarsan community.



3- Anvar Khezri

Prison Location: Ghezel Hesar Prison, Karaj

Prominent Charges: Moharebeh through membership in one of the "Salafi groups" and participation in the assassination of a cleric close to the government named "Abdolrahim Tina"

Issuing Court: Branch 28 of the Tehran Revolutionary Court presided over by Judge Mohammad Moghiseh

Latest Case Status: The death sentence confirmed by the Supreme Court 4- Kamran Sheikhe

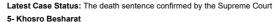


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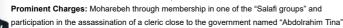
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Latest Case Status: The death sentence confirmed by the Supreme Court

Anvar Khezri, Kamran Sheikhe, and Khosro Besharat, three Sunni Muslim prisoners incarcerated in Ghezel Hesar Prison, Karaj, were arrested in 2009 along with Qasem Abesteh, Ayoub Karimi, Davoud Abdollahi, and Farhad Salimi in a joint case for the suspected murder of Mamousta "Abdolrahim Tina" in October 2008, who had been killed by unidentified individuals.

Branch 28 of the Tehran Revolutionary Court, presided over by Judge Mohammad Moghiseh, sentenced these individuals to death in March 2016. After the sentence was overturned by the Supreme Court for further review, it was referred back to Branch 15 of the Tehran Revolutionary Court. Ultimately, Judge Abolgasem Salavati reissued the death sentences for these individuals.

Eventually, Branch 41 of the Supreme Court confirmed these sentences in February 2020, Among them, the execution sentences of Qasem Abesteh, Ayoub Karimi, Davoud Abdollahi, and Farhad Salimi were carried out in Ghezel Hesar Prison, Karai, on November 5, November 29, December 3, 2022, and January 24, 2023, respectively. Now, the other three defendants in the case are on death row in Ghezel Hesar Prison, Karaj.



6- Farshid Hassan Zehi

Prison Location: Ward 9, Zahedan Prison

Prominent Charges: Shooting at a vehicle near the Cheshmeh Ziarat village checkpoint in Zahedan, murdering the soldier Behzad Barahoui, and injuring First Lieutenant Mehdi Hashem Zehi, a law enforcement officer

Issuing Court: Branch 1 of the Criminal Court of Zahedan

Latest Case Status: Issuance of the death sentence and referral of the case to Branch 32 of the Supreme Court

1 Farshid Hassan Zehi, 26 years old and son of Hanif, was arrested by security forces in the village of Cheshmeh Ziarat, Zahedan, on November 24, 2022, on charges of "shooting at a vehicle near the Cheshmeh Ziarat village checkpoint." He is currently detained in Ward 9 of Zahedan Prison. The court session that led to his death sentence was held online without the presence of his defense lawyer.





on charges of "Corruption on Earth." Despite his poor physical condition, he has been denied appropriate medical care in Zahedan Prison.



8- Jamshid Sharmahd Prison Location: Unknown

Prominent Charges: Corruption on Earth (Ifsad fil-Arz) through leading an opposition group,

planning and directing a bombing in Shiraz's Hosseiniyeh

Issuing Court: Branch 15 of the Tehran Revolutionary Court

Latest Case Status: The death sentence confirmed by the Supreme Court

■ The Ministry of Intelligence announced in August 2020 the arrest of Jamshid Sharmahd, an Iranian-German dual citizen born in 1955. The court sessions reviewing Mr. Sharmahd's charges, held from February 7, 2022, to August 23, 2022, by Branch 15 of the Tehran Revolutionary Court presided by Judge Abolqasem Salavati, ultimately led to his death sentence in early March 2022 for "Corruption on Earth through planning and directing terrorist acts." Masoud Setayeshi, the judiciary spokesperson, announced the confirmation of his death sentence by the Supreme Court on April 26, 2023. Ghazaleh Sharmahd, his daughter, previously stated that the family's chosen lawyer was not allowed access to his case file, and her father has been forced to sign documents while being held in solitary confinement.



9- Mohammad Zeynoddini

Prison Location: Ward 9, Zahedan Prison

Prominent Charges: Moharebeh (waging war against God) through armed action related to the killing of three security forces

Issuing Court: Branch 1 of the Criminal Court of Zahedan

Latest Case Status: The death sentence confirmed by the Supreme Court

10- Adham Naroui

Prison Location: Ward 9, Zahedan Prison

Prominent Charges: Moharebeh (waging war against God) through armed action related to the killing of three security forces

Issuing Court: Branch 1 of the Criminal Court of Zahedan

Latest Case Status: The death sentence confirmed by the Supreme Court

Mohammad Zeynoddini and Adham Naroui were arrested by security forces in Lashar, a city in Sib and Suran County, in October 2020 and May 2021, respectively. Their case was later referred from Branch 6 of the Zahedan Prosecutor's Office to Branch 1 of the Criminal Court of the province concerning the killing of three security forces. Eventually, these political prisoners were sentenced to death by Branch 1 of the Criminal Court of Zahedan in late 2022 for "Moharebeh through armed action." This sentence was confirmed by the Supreme Court on November 20, 2023.



11- Mohammad Javad Vafaie Thani Prison Location: Vakilabad Prison, Mashhad

Prominent Charges: Corruption on Earth (Ifsad fil-Arz) through arson and deliberate destruction of specific places

Issuing Court: Branch 2 of the Revolutionary Court of Mashhad

Latest Case Status: The case is currently being reviewed by Branch 9 of the Supreme Court

Seyed Mohammad Javad Vafaie Thani, a 28-year-old boxing coach, was arrested by security forces in Mashhad in March 2020 and transferred to Vakilabad Prison in Mashhad. This political prisoner was sentenced to death in December 2021 by Branch 4 of the Revolutionary Court of Mashhad for charges of "Corruption on Earth through arson and deliberate destruction of specific places, including the government's Tazirat organization building." The sentence was later overturned by one of the branches of the Supreme Court, and the case was referred to a parallel branch. Eventually, in early August 2023, after a retrial, Mr. Vafaie Thani was sentenced to death by Branch 2 of the Revolutionary Court of Mashhad. Babak Pak Nia, the defense lawyer for this political prisoner, recently stated: "The case of Mohammad Javad Vafaie Thani is being reviewed by Branch 9 of the Supreme Court, and as of the latest follow-up, no decision has been made regarding the annulment or confirmation of the initial verdict."



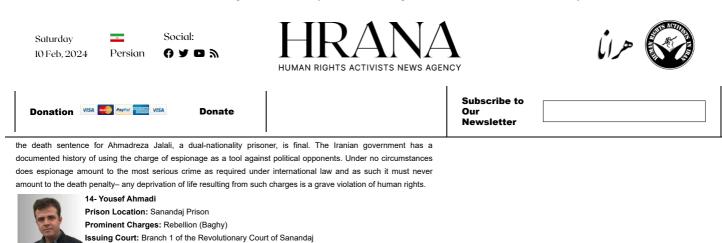
12- Abbas Deris

Prison Location: Mahshahr Prison Prominent Charges: Moharebeh (waging war against God) Issuing Court: Branch 1 of the Revolutionary Court of Mahshahr Latest Case Status: The death sentence confirmed by the Supreme Court and the request for retrial rejected by this judicial authority

■ Abbas Deris was arrested along with his brother Mohsen on December 8, 2019, by the intelligence agents of Abu al-Fadl al-Abbas headquarters. Mr. Deris was sentenced to death by Branch 1 of the Revolutionary Court of Mahshahr in late October 2021 for the charge of Moharebeh. This verdict was confirmed by Branch 39 of the Supreme Court in mid-July 2023. After filing a request for retrial in Branch 9 of the Supreme Court in August, an order was issued to halt the execution. Ultimately, the request for a retrial for Abbas Deris's case was rejected by the Supreme Court in February 2024. Fereshteh Tabanian, a judiciary lawyer, stated: "We requested the application of Article 477, which is under review." In another part of his case, Abbas Deris was sentenced by Branch 3 of the Criminal Court of Khuzestan Province for charges of premeditated murder and possession of a weapon to fourteen years in prison. Born in 1973 and a father of three, Deris, while admitting to participating in the protest gatherings on November 17, 2019, in Chamran town, has denied any involvement in burning tires and blocking roads in Chamran town.

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Yousef Ahmadi, along with Mohammad Karimi, Basat Karimi, and Mohammad Faizi, was arrested in a joint case in early May 2020 on suspicion of "cooperation with one of the opposition Kurdish parties" by security forces. Branch 1 of the Revolutionary Court of Sanandaj, presided over by Judge Saeedi, sentenced Yousef Ahmadi in September 2023 for the charge of rebellion to death, and Mohammad Karimi, Basat Karimi, and Mohammad Faizi were respectively sentenced to twenty-five years, twenty years, and twenty years in prison for complicity in rebellion. The

death sentence for Yousef Ahmadi was confirmed by Branch 39 of the Supreme Court in February 2024.

Latest Case Status: The death sentence confirmed by the Supreme Court



15- Mansour Rasouli Prison Location: Urmia Prison Prominent Charges: Espionag

Prominent Charges: Espionage Issuing Court: Revolutionary Court Latest Case Status: The death sentence confirmed by the Supreme Court

Mansour Rasouli, along with Aran Omari, Rahman Parhazeh, Vafa Henareh, and Nasim Namazi, and five other defendants were arrested by security forces in November 2021. Ultimately, Mr. Rasouli, Omari, Parhazeh, Henareh, and Namazi were sentenced to death by the Revolutionary Court for charges of Moharebeh (waging war against God) and Corruption on Earth (Ifsad fil-Arz) through cooperation with Israeli intelligence to disrupt the country's security. The other five defendants of this case, namely Kamran Henareh, Fakhroddin Dodkanlu Milan, Ashkan Osman Nejad, Hassan Omarpour, and Amir Moshtagh Gangchin, were each sentenced by the Revolutionary Court to ten years in prison and are currently serving their sentences in the political ward of Urmia Prison. Among the five prisoners sentenced to death, the sentences of Aran Omari, Rahman Parhazeh, Vafa Henareh, and Nasim Namazi were executed in Urmia Prison on December 29, 2022. Mansour Rasouli, one of the defendants in this case, returned to the general ward of the prison following a halt in the execution, which is said to be due to legal developments in his case. The Iranian government has a documented history of using the charge of espionage as a tool against political opponents. Under no circumstances does espionage amount to the most serious crime as required under international law and as such it must never amount to the death penalty– any deprivation of life resulting from such charges is a grave violation of human rights.



16- Naib Askari

Prison Location: Urmia Prison Prominent Charges: Rebellion (Baghy) Issuing Court: Branch 2 of the Revolutionary Court of Urmia Latest Case Status: Re-issuance of the death sentence

Naib Askari was arrested by intelligence agents of the IRGC in Urmia on March 27, 2021. Mr. Askari was initially sentenced to death in absentia by Branch 2 of the Revolutionary Court of Urmia on April 15, 2023, for the charge of Moharebeh. After accepting his request for an appeal, the same branch, after several court sessions, changed his charge from Moharebeh to Baghy and re-sentenced him to death in late October 2023. Notably, the court sessions for Mr. Askari were held without the presence of his defense lawyer. His affiliation with one of the opposition Kurdish parties has been cited as a basis for his charges in this case.



17- Mehran Bahramian

Prison Location: Dastgerd Prison, Isfahan Prominent Charges: Murder of a Special Unit officer Issuing Court: Branch 22 of the Criminal Court of Isfahan Latest Case Status: Issuance of the death sentence



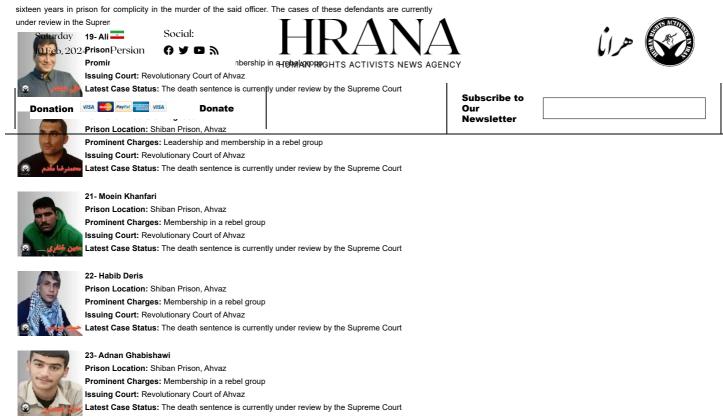
18- Fazl Bahramian

Prison Location: Dastgerd Prison, Isfahan Prominent Charges: Murder of a Special Unit officer Issuing Court: Branch 22 of the Criminal Court of Isfahan Latest Case Status: Issuance of the death sentence

■ Fazl Bahramian, Mehran Bahramian, Dariush Saedi, and Younes Bahramian were arrested on January 1, 2023, after participating in the fortieth-day memorial service for several victims of the protests, including Ali Abbasi, Morad Bahramian, Muslim Houshangi, and someone with the surname Asafi, under a joint case and were later transferred to Dastgerd Prison in Isfahan. Eventually, Fazl Bahramian and Mehran Bahramian were sentenced to death by Branch 22 of the Criminal Court of Isfahan, presided over by Judge Hemati, for the charge of "murdering Mohsen Rezaei, a Special Unit officer." Dariush Saedi and Younes Bahramian, other defendants in this case, were each sentenced to

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24- Salem Mousavi

Prison Location: Shiban Prison, Ahvaz Prominent Charges: Membership in a rebel group Issuing Court: Revolutionary Court of Ahvaz Latest Case Status: The death sentence is currently under review by the Supreme Court

Ali Majdam, Mohammadreza Moghadam, Moein Khanfari, Habib Deris, Adnan Ghabishawi, and Salem Mousavi, six security defendants, were arrested by security forces in Khuzestan in mid-February 2019. Eventually, in March 2023, Ali Majdam and Mohammadreza Moghadam were sentenced to death for leadership and membership in the "military branch of the Arab Struggle Movement for the Liberation of Ahwaz" for armed confrontation against the foundation of the Islamic Republic of Iran. Moein Khanfari, Habib Deris, Adnan Ghabishawi, and Salem Mousavi were sentenced to death for membership in the mentioned group, also for armed confrontation against the foundation of the Islamic Republic of Iran, by the Revolutionary Court of Ahvaz, and the verdicts were confirmed by the Supreme Court.



25- Farhad Shakeri

Prison Location: Vakilabad Prison, Mashhad Prominent Charges: Rebellion (Baghy) through membership in a Salafi group Issuing Court: Branch 4 of the Revolutionary Court of Mashhad Latest Case Status: The death sentence is currently under review by the Supreme Court



26- Eisa EidMohammadi

Prison Location: Vakilabad Prison, Mashhad Prominent Charges: Rebellion (Baghy) through membership in a Salafi group Issuing Court: Branch 4 of the Revolutionary Court of Mashhad Latest Case Status: The death sentence is currently under review by the Supreme Court



27- Abdolrahman Gorgij

Prison Location: Vakilabad Prison, Mashhad Prominent Charges: Rebellion (Baghy) through membership in a Salafi group Issuing Court: Branch 4 of the Revolutionary Court of Mashhad Latest Case Status: The death sentence is currently under review by the Supreme Court



28- Abdolhakim Azim Gorgij

Prison Location: Vakilabad Prison, Mashhad Prominent Charges: Rebellion (Baghy) through membership in a Salafi group Issuing Court: Branch 4 of the Revolutionary Court of Mashhad Latest Case Status: The death sentence is currently under review by the Supreme Court



29- Taj Mohammad Khormali

Prison Location: Vakilabad Prison, Mashhad Prominent Charges: Rebellion (Baghy) through membership in a Salafi group Issuing Court: Branch 4 of the Revolutionary Court of Mashhad Latest Case Status: The death sentence is currently under review by the Supreme Court



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rmali (Sunni citizens) were arrested in a joint case by the Intelligence Agency in 2015 and transferred to Vakilabad Prison, Mashhad, a year later. Eventually, in 2019, Branch 1 of the Revolutionary Court of Mashhad, presided over by Judge Mahmoud Davoudabadi, sentenced Hamid Rastbala, Farhad Shakeri, Kabir Saadat Jahani, Mohammad Ali Aravesh, Eisa EidMohammadi, Hakim Azim Gorgii, Abdolrahman Gorgii, Tai Mohammad Khormali, and Malek Ali Fadaei Nasab to death for charges of "Rebellion (Baghy) through membership in the Salafi group Al-Furgan Party and membership in the National Solidarity Front of Iran's Sunnis." Mohammadreza Sheikh Ahmad, Abdolbaset Orsan, and Morteza Fekoori were sentenced to 15 years in prison each for "Rebellion (Baghy) through membership in the Takfiri and Salafi group ISIS." The execution sentences for Hamid Rastbala, Kabir Saadat Jahani, and Mohammad Ali Arayesh were carried out in Vakilabad Prison, Mashhad, in 2020, Later, the death sentences of the other six prisoners were overturned by Branch 41 of the Supreme Court, presided over by Judge Ali Razini, and the case was referred back for retrial. In early August 2023, Branch 4 of the Revolutionary Court of Mashhad, presided over by Judge Ahmad Salami, after a retrial, sentenced these prisoners to death again. The case of these prisoners detained in Ward 6.1 of Vakilabad Prison, Mashhad, is currently under review by Branch 39 of the Supreme Court.



31- Amir Rahim Pour Prison Location: Evin Prison Prominent Charges: Cooperation with a hostile government (USA) Issuing Court: Unknown

Latest Case Status: The death sentence confirmed by the Supreme Court

Gholamhossein Esmaili, the former judiciary spokesperson, announced on February 4, 2020, the confirmation of the death sentence for Amir Rahim Pour, a master's graduate in electrical engineering, for "cooperation with a hostile government, the USA" by the Supreme Court. Esmaili claimed that "this individual, while in contact with the spy agency, had received substantial sums of money as remuneration and attempted to provide a part of the Islamic Republic of Iran's nuclear information to the American service." It's important to note that although combating espionage is not considered a violation of human rights, the Iranian government's history of using this charge as a tool against political opponents and the issuance of death sentences, especially with unclear trial details and proceedings, are always viewed with skepticism.



32 - Malek Davarshan (Seyed Malek Mousavi) Prison Location: Shiban Prison, Ahvaz

Prominent Charges: Rebellion (Baghy) through setting fire to a Basij base Issuing Court: Branch 2 of the Revolutionary Court of Dezful Latest Case Status: Issuance of the death sentence

IMalek Davarshan (Seyed Malek Mousavi) was arrested in May 2021 along with a friend named Abbas Khazraji by security forces. After interrogations, Branch 2 of the Revolutionary Court of Dezful sentenced Mr. Davarshan to death for the charge of "Rebellion" and Mr. Khazraji to ten years in prison for "participation in disturbing public order." The "attack and setting fire to the Basij Resistance Post of Shavur" was cited as one of the charges against Mr. Davarshan



Prison Location: Mahshahr Prison Prominent Charges: Attack on a Basij base Issuing Court: Revolutionary Court of Mahshahr Latest Case Status: Issuance of the death sentence

33- Ali Oheidavi

Ali Obeidavi was arrested in 2019 along with his brother, Hossein Obeidavi, by security forces with the charge of "attack on a Basij base." After four years, the Revolutionary Court of Mahshahr sentenced Ali Obeidavi to death and his brother to thirteen years in prison.



34- Shahab Nadali Jozani Prison Location: Evin Prison Prominent Charges: Rebellion (Baghy) through membership in opposition group Issuing Court: Tehran Revolutionary Court Latest Case Status: Issuance of the death sentence

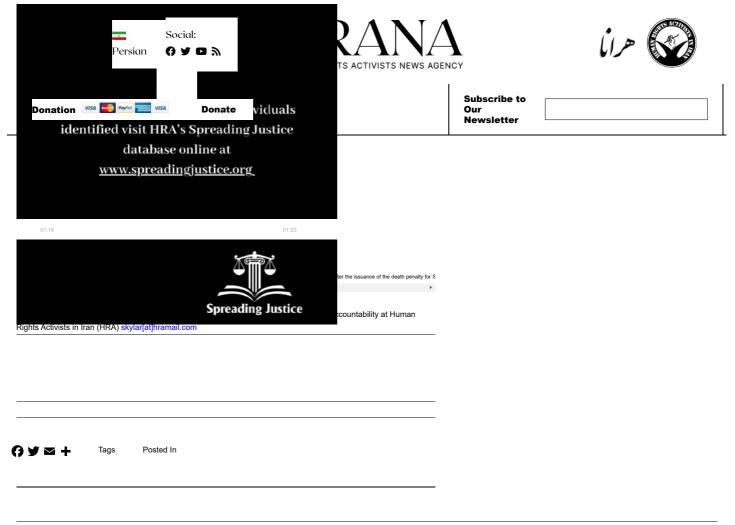
Shahab Nadali Jozani was arrested by the agents of the Intelligence Department in Hamedan on June 7, 2023. He was sentenced by Branch 26 of the Tehran Revolutionary Court, presided over by Judge Iman Afshari, to death for the charge of "rebellion through membership in opposition groups of the country (Mojahedin-e Khalq Organization)" and to five years of imprisonment for "assembly and collusion with the intent to commit a crime against the security of the country," taking into account the time already served in detention.

It is important to emphasize that the execution crisis in Iran extends far beyond the population of political prisoners. Spreading Justice (HRA's database of human rights violators) recently published a report based on data from its statistics unit covering a decade of executions in Iran (from 2013 to 2023), documenting the execution of 4,829 citizens over this period. For more details on this report, please refer to the provided link.



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