

Life of the Iranian Well-known Worker Activist Mahmood Salehi in Danger and the Suppressive Islamic Regime Directly Responsible for His Critical Health Condition!

On Tuesday morning December 11th, Mahmood Salehi was transferred for the second time to Tawhid Hospital in Sanadaj while being unconscious and was confined to bed in the Brain and Nerve Department of the hospital at 3 PM of the same day. The doctors of the hospital have affirmed that he should not be moved from his bed for 6 to 7 hours and that it is essential to refer him to a specialist doctor. The result of the tests been taken show that his brain veins are damaged due to changes in blood pressure and this damage stops enough blood to reach his brain, which in turn causes the frequent loss of consciousness.

Despite all the international conventions for prisoner treatment, the suppressive Islamic regime in Iran has deprived Mahmood Salehi from his right to medical care and has tied him to the bed of the hospital. Lack of necessary medical care has severely worsened his health condition and as a result he is facing the danger of gradual death. Besides, Mahmood Salehi has been threatened to death by one of the regime's mercenaries known as "Ghassem Rahmani".

Hamid Kawsar Nia, a prisoner in the Sanandaj Central Prison, has gone on strike for 9 days in protest to the inhumane treatment of Mahmood Salehi and other prisoners by one of the prison officials. 22 other prisoners from the same prison have also gone on strike since Thursday December 13th in support of Hamid Kawsar Nia's demands.

Imprisonment, terror, physical termination of the worker leaders and activists and political dissidents as well as the establishment of a dictatorship and political strangulation has been the constant policy of this regime since its early days of coming to power, a regime that is against all human liberties. The Islamic government in Iran not only has deprived the workers, women, students and all freedom-seeking people from their rights of independent organization, freedom of speech and all other political and social liberties but has also replied to any voice of protest by these people with the police violence, imprisonment, terror and torture.

Nevertheless, the countrywide struggles by the working class and the glorious actions by the leftist and freedom-seeking students have proved to this Islamic anti-worker government that the growing and wide mass protests in Iran are irreversible and the wave of suppression and imprisonment of the students and worker activists will not scare the working class or other social movements.

Freedom-seeking People, International Labor and Humanitarian Organizations!

The life of the well-known worker activist Mahmood Salehi is in danger and the Islamic regime in Iran is directly responsible for his worsening health condition and gradual death. It is necessary to put the Islamic regime under pressure on a wide scale for Mahmood Salehi's freedom and his medical treatment by specialist doctors.

We ask you all the supporters of worker movements and international labor and humanitarian organizations and institutions to put the Islamic regime in Iran under pressure in any possible way in order to save Mahmood Salehi's life, a worker activist who has devoted all his life to defending the workers' just and ignored rights, and in order to ensure him urgent medical treatment and immediate freedom. Mahmood Salehi's life is in danger and our human responsibility and essential solidarity for struggle calls for our urgent and immediate efforts and actions for saving him from this gradual death.

Mahmood Salehi the Imprisoned Worker Must Be Released! **Abroad Committee of Communist Party of Iran**

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