



Autumn 2022 Protests to Forced Hijab
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The December 2022 Update to:
**Report: General Protests in 2022 and their Suppression by the
Authorities of the Islamic Republic of Iran**
**Update for December 2022 and the Role of Azerbaijanis Measurable
by the Detainees**

Overview

This is Update 5 of the above report on the protests in Iran. While the protests are probably at their tail end, reprisals by the Iranian government against protesters are rising at a fast rate. The Update is in two parts: **Part 1** submits the names and details in the course of December 2022; and **Part 2** gives the integrated cases. Their salient features are:

- The Iranian government has at least been prosecuting more than 3,000 individuals in Azerbaijani provinces, but the real statistics can be even higher.
- When the detainees are released in Azerbaijani provinces, almost all of them are done so on bail. This shows that the Iranian authorities are seeking desperately for normality in order to implement their reprisal acts against the protesters at large and gag Azerbaijani activists.
- We have identified more than 100 names of individuals for the December 2022 period and previous months with some basic information about them. Their salient features include:
 - The detentions are attributed to at least 20 Azerbaijani cities
 - 10 Azerbaijani individuals at high risk of execution
 - Iranian authorities have already issued a total of 120 years of imprisonment to Azerbaijani individuals and activists as well as other deprivations from their human rights.
 - No details are available on the wounded individuals, as they avoid hospital which are being used by the Iranian authorities to trap protesters
- The integrated information identified that more than 700 Azerbaijani individuals have been arrested, detained or are in the process of being prosecuted, nearly 400 of them in Tabriz
- There are grave stories on torture and heinous inappropriate acts of rape against the detainees, which we are not at liberty to disclose them

The above are the best available information and material indicators that the nation of Azerbaijan in Azerbaijani provinces are keen in their destiny while the Iranian authorities have turned their lives into 43 years of turmoil.

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Part 1: Update 5

1.1 Capital Punishments or Individuals at Imminent Risk

1. Hamidreza Ruhi (حمیدرضا روحی): Was killed on 17 November 2022 by the live bullets of security agents in Tehran.
2. Mehssa Yazdani (مهسا یزدانی): was arrested on 30 October 2022 in Asalim, Zengan province.
3. Meysam Mubrehen (میثم مبرهن): Was arrested on the highway between Maragha and Sarakend; accused of burning Iranian flag on 29 October 2022 in Melikkendi; was tortured to confess for the coerced accusation; he is feared to be charged with *Muharibe*.
4. Milad Ashrafi Atbatan (میلاد اشرفی آتباتان): Was executed on 4 December 2022, accused of spying to Israel.
5. Mohsen Rizazade Qoruqlu (محسن رضازاده قراقلو): Was tried in General and revolutionary Court on 29 October 2022 in Tehran charged with *Muharibe*; tantamount to a death sentence.
6. Pejman Islami (پژمان اسلامی): Was arrested on 21 September 2022 in Tabriz and still in detention; it has emerged that he is accused of arson attacks to banks and being introduced as a leader; he has no access to a lawyer and cannot afford having a paid lawyer; he is at risk of being charged as a *muharib*.
7. Tovhid darvishi (توحید درویشی): Was arrested on 21 September 2022 in Tabriz and is still in detention; it has emerged that he has been badly tortured; has been accused of arson attacks and killing a paramilitary security agent. His life is at risk.

1.2 Extrajudicial Executions

8. Keyan Pir-felek (پیر فلک): A 10-years old child; was killed in Izeh by the direct hit of bullets fired by security agents.
9. Mehrdad Malak (مهرداد ملک): A 17-years old boy was shut down and killed by the police on 27 December 2022 when he was driving home with his friend. Reportedly, the police was suspicious of him sled in a puddle and in order not to lose the car being chased, fired at him during which the victim was hit directly and died there.
10. Mohammad Huseyn Turkman (محمدحسن ترکمان): Was killed on 21 September 2022 by the direct hit of live bullets fired by security agents in Babol.
11. Mohammad Rize Lotfi Parni (محمدرضا لطفی پرنی) was killed on 3 November 2022 in Karaj.
12. Nima Nuri (نیما نوری - 17 years old boy): Was killed by the direct hit of live bullets fired by security agent in Urmia on 3 November 2022.



13. Sepeher Ismaili (سپهر اسماعیلی): from Qazvin but was killed in Keyashahr of Gilan province near a police station by security agents on his birthday on 15 November 2022.

1.3 Lawyers

14. Sina (known as Hoseyn) Yussefi (سینا یوسفی): A high-ranking lawyer engaged on matters related to the Ministry of Justice and the deputy head of West Azerbaijan Commission on Human Rights. Reportedly, Was sentenced on 25 December 2022 to 6-months of imprisonment and 2-years of exclusion from foreign travels. More details in Part 2. It is understood that the office of Conserving Information of the Ministry of Justice (اداره حفاظت اطلاعات دادگستری استان آذربایجان شرقی) in West Azerbaijan is compiling another case as a complaint against the victim, who is yet to be indicted.
15. Amir Mehdipur (امیر مهدی پور): A lawyer and a member of the Azerbaijani Lawyers of Human Rights Association; was arrested on 17 October 2022; sentenced on 27 October 2022 for 1-year of imprisonment and 2-years of exclusion from foreign travels.
16. Umid Rahnemay SadiqAzer (امید رهنمایی صدیق آذر): A lawyer and a member of Prosecutors for East Azerbaijan Lawyers Association. He resigned from his post due to the pressures from the Ministry of Information to cancel the license of 50 lawyers members of the Association.

1.4 Updates on Detainees

1.4.1 Individuals Prosecuted in Ahar

17. Almas Bezzaz Qadim (الماس بزاق قدیم): A 15-years old girl from Ahar was arrested on 9 October 2022; she was summoned to a trial court recently, accused of tearing the portrait of the Supreme Leader of Iran and burning them
18. Humeyra Turabi (حمیرا ترابی): Was arrested on 9 October 2022 in Ahar; she was summoned to a trial court on 39 December 2022, accused of insulting the Supreme Leader of Iran.

1.4.2 Individuals Prosecuted in Arak

19. Ibrahim Ketabdar (ابراهیم کتابدار): A father with 2 daughters from Tabriz, resident of Karaj; was killed by the live bullets of security agents in Karaj on 16 November 2022 when standing in front of Car Dealers Business.
20. Mina Yaqubi (مینا یعقوبی): Was arrested on 2 November 2022; accused of throwing stones to the Martyrs of the government; the government stated that she committed suicide twice when in detention; when released on bail, she had signs of not suicide but torture; now she is free on bail.



21. Mohammad Qorbanzade (محمد قربانزاده): Was arrested on 3 November 2022 in Arak; no further information on him since then
22. Saba Abdullahi (صبا عبداللهی): A feminist activist and the editor of a student publication; was arrested on 15 November 2022 in Arak by security agents raiding her house.

1.4.3 Individuals Prosecuted in Ardabil:

23. Said Hafezi (سعید حافظی): A caricaturist from Ardabil; was arrested on 13 November 2022 and still no further information on him.

1.4.4 Individuals Prosecuted in Binab:

24. Adil Mohammad Ulyan (عادل محمدعلیان): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.
25. Ahmad Anvari (احمد انوری): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.
26. Akbar Abbasi (اکبر عباسی): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.
27. Ferhad Asadi (فرهاد اسدی): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.
28. Ferhad Najafnejad (فرهاد نجف نژاد): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.
29. Hamed Birami (حامد بیرامی): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.
30. Hashem Musa Qulizade (هاشم موسی قلی زاده): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.
31. Isa SHafaq (عیسی شفق): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.
32. Mohammad Zarei (محمد زارعی): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.
33. Ruqeyye Beygdili (رقيه بیگدلی): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.
34. Seid Qaani (سعید قآانی): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.
35. Shahin Abbas Alizade (شاهین عباس علیزاده): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.
36. Sina Babakurdi (سینا باباکردی): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.



37. Umid Aghacani (امید آقاجانی): Was arrested on 20 November 2022 by security agents.
38. Urfan Rajabzade (عرفان رجب زاده): Was arrested sometime between 19-21 November 2022 in Binab by security agents.

1.4.5 Some of the Individuals Prosecuted in Hamadan

39. Ali (علی): a businessman in Hamadan, was arrested in October/November 2022 (?) by security agents when protesting; were accused of being a leader of protests.
40. Esmail (اسماعیل): a student in Hamadan, was arrested in October/November 2022 (?) by security agents when protesting; were accused of being a leader of protests.
41. Mohammad (محمد): a student in Hamadan, was arrested in October/November 2022 (?) by security agents when protesting; were accused of being a leader of protests.

1.4.6 Some of the Individuals Prosecuted in Karaj:

42. Barbad Dadashzade (باربد داداش زاده): Was arrested on 26 October 2022; believed to be in detention but still no information on him.
43. Hamieh Ketabdar (حمیده کتابدار): Was arrested in related to the extrajudicial killing of her brother, Ibrahim Ketabdar.
44. Nilufar Shakeri (نیلوفر شاکری): Was arrested on 11 October 2022 in Karaj; she was taken to hospital from prison on 24 December 2022 stemming from torture; was taken to prison after hospital treatments despite her poor health conditions; her life is believed to be in danger.

1.4.7 Individuals Prosecuted in Khoy:

45. Alirza Jabbari (علیرضا جباری): A 15-years old boy who was arrested in Khoy by security agents while subjecting him to severe violence.
46. Ali Ismayillu (علی اسماعیلو): Was arrested in Khoy protests by security agents.
47. Aydin Mohsen nejad (آیدین محسن نژاد): Was arrested on 22 November 2022 in Khoy; was released on bail on 17 December 2022.
48. Jalil Ismali (جلیل اسلامی): Was arrested in October 2022.

1.4.8 Individuals Prosecuted in Melikkendi (Malekan)

Some 60 protesters were arrested on 20 November 2022



49. Akbar Yusifi (اکبر یوسفی): Was arrested on 20 November in Melikkendi. Still no further information on him.
50. Aydin Farajzade (آیدین فرج زاده): Was arrested in December 2022 and kept in Maragha prison.
51. Babek Ne'matzade (بابک نعمت راده): Was arrested in December 2022 and kept in Maragha prison.
52. Hamed Vahidi (حامد واحدی): Was arrested in December 2022 and kept in Maragha prison.
53. Reza Mohammadi (رضا محمدی): Was arrested in December 2022 and kept in Maragha prison.
54. Sina Farabi (سینا فارابی): as arrested on 19 November 2022 in Melikkendi.

1.4.9 Individuals Prosecuted in Minadab

55. Mohammad Hasan Davudi (محمدحسن داوودی): A retired teacher; was arrested on 27 October 2022 by security agent under physical violence as witnessed by the public; when his family members followed the case, they learned that the victim was taken to the interrogation facilities of the Ministry of Intelligence in Qoshachay and then to that in Urmia. No further news on him since then.

1.4.10 Individuals Prosecuted in Qazvin:

56. Mehdi Yaqubkhani (مهدی یعقوب خانی): A university student; was arrested on 7 December 2022 in Qazvin in his parental house by security agents confiscating his laptop, mobile and personal belongings.
57. Mohammad Amin Barzgar Shams (محمد امین برزگر شمس): Was arrested on 15 November 2022 when taking part in popular protests but no further information on his current status.
58. Reza Hamzayi (رضا همزه بی): A lawyer whp was arrested on 11 November 2022 in Qazvin; sentenced for 1-year of imprisonment with an exclusion for 2-years from law practices.
59. Sajjad Jabraili (سجاد جبرائیلی): A university student arrested on 21 September 2022 and detained. No further information on him since the detention.

1.4.11 Individuals Prosecuted in Tabriz:

60. Amir Chamani (امیر چمنی): Was arrested on 6 November 2022 in Tabriz
61. Amir Hasan Alizade (امیرحسن علیزاده): was arrested on 18 November 2022 by security agents in Tabriz; no further news.
62. Ayda Akbari (آیدا اکبری): A medical student in Tabriz University; was arrested on 18 November 2022 by security agents in Tabriz; No further news.
63. Farhad Aftabi (فرهاد آفتابی): Was arrested on 5 November 2022 by security agents in his house and no more news on his current status.



64. Farhad Pakruh (فرهاد پاک روح): Was summoned by telephone to Branch 15 of the Revolution and General Court in Tabriz on 17 November 2022.
65. Fatime Mohammadi (محمدی فاطمه): She teaches Azerbaijanis dances in Tabriz in the group called Parla and was detained earlier at an unknown date. No further news on her whereabouts.
66. Ibrahim Muhajir (ابراهیم مهاجر): Was arrested on 31 December 2022; was also arrested on 27 December 2022 when taking part in the 40th commemoration of Aylar Haqqi in Tabriz; was released on bail on 5 January 2023.
67. Leyla Pur-babayi (لیلی پوربابا): Was summoned by the Cyber Police of Iran in Tabriz and arrested after interrogation on 2 November 2022. No further news on her.
68. Majid Abdi Sanjarian (مجید عبدی سنجران): Was arrested in Tabriz circa November 2022; no further news.
69. Majid Shekari (محمد شکاری): Was arrested in Tabriz circa November 2022; no further news.
70. Malihe Beni Asad (ملیحه بنی اسد): Sportswoman, sports trainer and mountaineer; was arrested on 29 December 2022 in Tabriz in her sports center.
71. Mehdi Bagerzade (مهدی باقرزاده): Was arrested in Tabriz circa November 2022; no further news.
72. Mehdi Fekri (مهدی فکری): Was arrested in Tabriz on 8 December 2022 in his parental house by security agents confiscating his mobile and laptops and other personal belongings; the Disciplinary committee of the University of Tabriz deprived him for 2-years from his university course.
73. Mehdi Tizjang (مهدی تیزجنگ): Was arrested in Tabriz circa November 2022; no further news.
74. Mehran Mohammadiyan (مهران محمدیان): Was arrested in Tabriz circa November 2022; no further news.
75. Mehrdad Aalayi Vali (مهرداد اعلائی ولی): Was arrested on 8 October 2022 in Shahnaz Square in Tabriz together with his wife Nayyer Hokmabadi; was sentenced to 2-years of imprisonment and 2-years of exclusion from foreign travels on circa 11 December 2022 in Branch 32 of the Appeal Courts in Tabriz.
76. Mohammad Azimi (محمد عظیمی): Was arrested in Tabriz circa November 2022; no further news.
77. Mohammad Reza Amiran (محمد رضا امیران): Was arrested in Tabriz circa November 2022; no further news.
78. Mohammad Siyamekiniya (محمد سیامکی نیا): A documentary filmmaker; was arrested on 24 September 2022; was sentenced on 27 November 2022 to 1-year of imprisonment and 8 million Tumen (Tooman) fine.
79. Mustafa Mehrdad (مصطفی مهرداد): Was arrested in Tabriz circa November 2022; no further news.



80. Naser Zarei (ناصر راضی): Was arrested in Tabriz circa November 2022; no further news.
81. Nayyer Senendegian Hokmabadi (نیر سنندجیان حکمآبادی): Was arrested on 8 October 2022 in Shahnaz Square in Tabriz together with her husband Mehrdad Aalayi; was sentenced to 2-years of imprisonment and 2-years of exclusion from foreign travels on circa 11 December 2022 in Branch 32 of the Appeal Courts in Tabriz.
82. Nima Ibrahimi (نیما ابراهیمی): Was arrested in Tabriz circa November 2022; no further news.
83. Nima Seraj (نیما سراج): Was arrested in Tabriz circa November 2022; no further news.
84. Nojan Bezzazzadeh (بزازاده): She was arrested on 28 November 2022 in Tabriz.
85. Puya pur-Hommati (پویا پورهمتی): as arrested on 21 October 2022 in Tabriz; sentence on 23 December 2022 to 3-years of Ta'ziri imprisonment and 2-years of exclusion from foreign travels.
86. Rahman Azarmirad (رحمان آرمیراد) was arrested on 3 November 2022 in Tabriz, a well-known sportsman, his fingers were broken under torture.
87. Reza Jami (رضا جامی): Was arrested in Tabriz circa November 2022; no further news.
88. Reza Rezazade (رضا رضازاده): An orthopedic doctor in Tabriz; was summoned to Branch 7 of the General and Revolutionary Court in Tabriz; accused of insulting the system and the supreme leader; was arrested there on 7 December 2022; will be imprisoned until the trial court.
89. Sarina Khazari (سارینا خزاری): Was arrested in Tabriz circa November 2022; no further news.
90. Seid Dallaki (سعید دلاکی): A research on Azerbaijani literature, who was arrested at the peak of protests in Tabriz.
91. Seyyideh Mehdiyye Seyiid Furughi (سیده مهدیه سیدفروغی): Was arrested on 25 September 2022 in Tabriz and was sentenced to 3-years of Ta'ziri imprisonment. The trial date and the latest status are not available.
92. Sonya Rehmanzade (سونیا رحمانزاده): Was arrested on 18 December 2022 in Tabriz in front of her house by security agents. No further information is available.
93. Urfan Hasanpur (عرفان حسن پور): Was arrested in Tabriz on 18 November 2022 by security agents when taking part in the funeral of Aylar Haqqi.

1.4.12 Some of Azerbaijani Individuals Prosecuted in Tehran

94. Amir Mehdi Rezayi (امیرمهدی رضایی): Was arrested in Tehran 2 November 2022; Accused of killing a security agent; the bail has been issued for their temporary release, but they are not released and is probably being stitched up for killing a security agent.



95. Mohammad Shabahati (محمد شباهتی): A university student and was arrested on 7 November 2022 in Tehran. No further information on his status.
96. Ramin Aliniya Tazakend (رامین علی نیا تازہ کند): An Azerbaijani activist; was arrested on 8 November 2022 and released on bail from Evin prison on 30 November 2022. It is not known where he was arrested and when transferred to Evin prison.
97. Milad Abdi (میلاد عبدی): was arrested on 7 November 2022, in front of University of Allameh, where he is a student.
98. Tahire Bajarvani (طاهرہ بجروانی): Was arrested on 21 December 2022 in Tehran and after 40 days of no information, she made a short telephone call confirming that she is being kept in Evin prison.
99. Urfan Rezayi (عرفان رضایی): Was arrested in Tehran 2 November 2022; Accused of killing a security agent; the bail has been issued for their temporary release but they are not released and is probably being stitched up for killing a security agent.