## Public Protest in Iran since 100 days

On September 16<sup>th</sup> a young woman named Mahasa Amini aged 22 years was found dead in police custody. She was arrested by the morality police, known as the "Gasht-e-Ashab", on charges of being "immodestly dressed". She died, after falling into coma for three days, in hospital after her arrest. This sparked a chain of anti-government protests in many cities all over Iran.

Since the beginning of the protest to till date at least 448 people killed by the Iran security forces including 29 woman and 60 children. Iran Human Rights believe the actual number of people killed is "certainly higher" which they continue to investigate.

Raisi's Government of Iran is using Death sentences to crackdown on protesters. On December 8, 2022, the Iranian regime hanged 23-year-old Mohsen Shekari, after a secret trial in Iran's Revolutionary Court. Four days later, in defiance of international condemnation of Shekari's execution, Iran publicly hanged 23-year-old Majidreza Rahnavard in the Shiite holy city of Mashhad. Both Rahnavard and Shekari were convicted of "waging war against God," and after expedited legal proceedings, were sentenced to death. Human rights advocates have highlighted the unlawfulness of the trials, lack of legal representation, and the prevalence of "coerced confessions" stemming from torture. Iranian actress Taraneh Alidoosti was also jailed after she expressed solidarity with a man recently executed over protests.

President Ebrahim Raisi said Iran would show "no mercy" towards "hostile" opponents of the Islamic republic, gripped by over 100 days of protests sparked by Mahsa Amini's death. But the people of the Iran were not backing down with this statements and Actions. They are showing their protest in different ways. Recently an Iranian chess player and several Iranian sports-women appear at competitions without hijab since anti-government protests began. International society was watching this protest and the question is when they will react to stop the tyranny acts. US government imposed sanctions against several Iranian officials but it is not showing any impact on the government.

People of the world must show solidarity with Iran women for their life and freedom; and at the same time, we must also condemn the tyrannical acts on protesters by Iran Govt.

## Iran Continues to Uphold its Death Sentences

Iran on 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2023 upheld two death sentences for the killing of a paramilitary during nationwide protests, the judiciary said, but ordered retrials for three others on death row in the same case. Two convicts were hanged in December. Human rights groups outside Iran have said that Mohammadifard is 18 years old and was accused of torching a traffic police kiosk in the western town of Nowshahr. Thousands have been arrested. Iran's courts have handed down 13 death sentences in connection with the protests, five of them for killing of Ajamian (paramilitary).