

**An explanation to the
“Iranian Workers are in need of your support!”**

**Workers, Freedom Loving Peoples!
Workers’ Unions, International Workers Organisation, Political
Parties and Organisations and Philanthropists Associations!**

Personalities, political parties and organisations, associations and workers, political and social activists, in Scandinavia, Europe, America, Canada, Australia and Turkey have signed the support list. We are looking forward and hoping that there will be more support from international working class organisations, media and other social and political organisations for the Iranian workers struggle.

As soon as any letter of solidarity from any organisation is received it will be translated in Persian and will be published in different Persians’ sites (Internet) and will also be read in different Persian radios.

We would like to request you to condemn the Islamic Regime of Iran for it’s anti workers policies, torture, executions, suppression and brutally crushing the Iranian people struggle, in any way you prefer and please send us a copy of your condemnation letter to our address.

With many thanks

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Iranian Workers are in need of your support!

Bahshar's Chintz factory workers are on hunger strike since 15Th May 2003.

The incidence in Bahshar is permanent image of day-to-day hardship and miserable life in which the Iranian Working Class (IWC) is facing and living in. The workers in Bahshar's cotton making factory have not been paid for the last 27 months. Two thousands workers of this factory, are fighting the Islamic Republic Regime of Iran (IRRI) for their unpaid salaries, at the time when the economic crisis in the society has created hardship for the majority of people. Despite the wide spread support from every walks of life for the workers struggle and their demands, the authorities not only have not paid any attention to their demands but trying their level best to intimidate and force the workers to stop their struggle. The apathetic attitudes of authorities have forced the workers to go on the hunger strike from 15Th May 2003. Islamic Republic Regime of Iran has attacked, and snatched away all the people's achievements, during the first two years of its inception. Islamic Republic of Iran has violently crushed the workers and employees' soviets and councils, which were democratically established by the people in villages and cities. They have fired many workers and employees who were members of these councils and soviets from their jobs, many more were arrested and sentenced to long period imprisonment, and many others ill fated faced the regime notorious firing squad. They have created an atmosphere of fear and intimidations in the society and denied the workers of their primary rights. In order to prevent workers from establishing their own unions and organisations they have created Islamic associations, Islamic councils and police units in the factories and work places. The Islamic Republic Regime of Iran has created and approved a new labour law, which is more reactionary then previous one. They have closed down many factories, privatised many more public institutions under pretension of un-profitability, which led to unemployment of tens of thousands of workers. Referring to this reactionary labour law and for more profitability, they have exempted the factory with 5 employees at the first stage, and later on they have increased this to factories with 10 employees from the law. As a result they have created the insecurity for millions of workers and their families. Anti workers measures of Islamic Republic Regime of Iran has created such a golden situation for the capitalists and factories owner that they despite not paying the workers for months and sometimes for years still they can continue their exploitation of workers. The incidence in Bahshar shows a permanent image of day-to-day hardship and miserable life in which the Iranian Working Class (IWC) is facing. Iranian workers by closing the oil taps, organising tens and hundreds workers protests and demonstrations and participated actively in people struggles against suppression of dictatorial regime of Shah and capitalists exploitation in 25 years back, were hoping that they will be able to create a free and just society. But what they got in return from the Islamic Republic Regime was, cheating, suppression and massacre during whole these years, and now they have been forced to go on hunger strike for their unpaid salaries. According to Etmad Newspaper, 3Th June 2003; published in Tehran:

I have visited the factory many times, but situation is totally unbearable and more miserable this time. Due to hunger strike many workers have become so weak that whole their body shake, many of them have even no stamina to open their mouth to talk a word. One can clearly see their internal cry in their pale face the moment they raise their head and look at you... Another worker says

about his grievances: I have worked in Bahshar chintz factory for 27 years. They have closed down the factory for years without paying our salaries. I have 6 persons to feed and have no accommodation of my own. One of my sons who was a third year student in faculty of Social Science in Tehran university has to quit his course because I didn't have money to pay for his tuition fee and expenses. I have started my hunger strike on 15Th of May this year, I have decided not to end my hunger strike till I get my unpaid salaries, even though I am aware that I may die.

The fact is, the miserable conditions in which the Bahshar's workers or major part of working class are facing are not because of lack of productions as regime and factories owners claim. Despite 25 of economic crisis and mismanagement, official statistics states that, generally working class creates an average income 5 to 6 thousands US dollars a year. It means, a worker with 5 family members should have a yearly net income of about 2 to 3 million Toman (about 2500 to 3750 US dollar per year).

We the undersigned warn for the consequences of Bahshar Chintz Factory's workers life as a result of ongoing hunger strike and at the same time state that unorganised struggle of the workers can not lead to an acceptable solution to end their unbearable situation. The capitalist system in general and Islamic Regime in particular will not pay any attention to the workers demands – even they are not ready to pay the years of unpaid wages, if they don't feel the pressure of a united, organised and nation wide struggle. Apart from this, we are well aware that the mere payments of unpaid salaries are not going to make any changes in the hard living conditions of the workers.

Iranian workers have been denied of their basic economics, political, social and labour union's rights. Therefore we stress that; the fulfilment of these basic rights, which can only be achieved with the united power and struggle of working class, is the only solution that can lead to a better life for working class as well as whole society.

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Political Parties and Organisations

Communist Party of Iran (Foreign Committee)
Activists of haseteh Aqaliat (Minority Cell Activists)
Representative of Komelah outside Iran
Organisation of Fadaee Communist – Outside Iran
Organisation of Revolutionary Worker of Iran (Rahe Kargar)
Ranjbaran Party of Iran (Hazab Ranjbran Iran)
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Associations and Societies

Labour's Association of Jamal Choragh Vaisi
Communist Cell – Frankfort
Radio Women's Voice in Kurdish – Stockholm
Cultural and Research Association of Bamdad
Radio of Jahan Emrouz – Stockholm
Solidarity Committee of Kurdish Women
Radio Komelah in Kurdish – Stockholm
Association for Campaign for Freedom of Iranian Women
Cultural – Political Association of Roshangari _ Holland
Sporvagn – Labour Journal _ Gothenburg
Publication of Labour Socialist _ Gothenburg
Radio Komelah (Persian and Hurdish) – Gothenburg
Radio Voice of Women
Kurdish Association and Swedish Society – Gothenburg
Association of Golshan
Andishah Academy – Gothenburg (Sweden)
Solidarity Campaign in Support of Iranian People Struggle
Solidarity Committee – Orebro (Sweden)
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