

**We support the legitimate demands of the strikers and put the responsibility of protecting their lives on the relevant parties**

In order to achieve the deprived rights of all citizens of the Kurdistan Region, on (25/1/2025) twelve teachers and employees in front of the UN Representation in Sulaimani, announced a hunger strike and in a memorandum sent to the United Nations, presented their demands. This hunger strike, which is a form of civil resistance against oppression, indicates that the strikers have not seen any way out until now, and therefore, they are using this method as a mechanism to protest against the injustices and inequalities they have faced, as they are prepared to sacrifice themselves for a dignified death in the face of their demands .

We as civil society organizations, while expressing our support for the legitimate demands of the strikers, we turn to the relevant parties: the Kurdistan Regional Government, the Federal Iraqi Government, the United Nations and the consulates of all countries represented in the region the strike has been going on for six days today and the situation of the strikers is deteriorating. We put the responsibility of protecting their lives on the relevant officials and authorities. Because what we see is that this authority has been as careless and indifferent as in the past .and now .after six days of the strike of teachers and employees .it has not taken any action and has not visited them or responded to them with a single word.

At the same time, to bring the demands of the strikers and to make this organization of this civil movement to the forefront, we call on teachers, officials, doctors, governors, workers, Peshmerga veterans, students, youth, and all the citizens and researchers of Sulaymaniyah to respond to their demands, visit the strikers, and support them. At the same time, we demand that this civil movement, similar to the strikes of 1991, not be limited to Sulaymaniyah and extend to all cities and towns of the Kurdistan Region, to find ways to create widespread civil pressure and exit from the crisis that the Kurdistan Region has fallen into, so that in this period of despair, hope can be restored to the citizens and a new identity for the Kurdish people can be established, and the unity of the citizens of the region can be strengthened, it is necessary to adopt all forms of civil struggle.

Sincerely,

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**The name list of the Organizations:**

- 1-PAY Foundation for Education and Development.
- 2-Halwest Organization.
- 3-Women Legal Assistance Organization (WOLA).

- 4- Azadbun Organization.
- 5- Capital of Peace Organization.
- 6- Kurdistan Nature Organization.
- 7- Chawy Zanko Organization (CZO).
- 8- Baranan Organization for Humanitarian Aid.
10. Institute for Legal Development (ILDK).
11. Strategic Planning Institute for Diplomatic Issues.
12. Stop Anti-Corruption Organization (STOP).
13. Middle East Institute for Strategic Studies.
14. Research and Development Organization.
- 15- Scala Organization for Social Issues.
- 16- Kurdistan for All Organization.
- 17- Justice Generation Organization for Human Rights.
- 19- Noor Organization for Democracy and Human Rights Development.
- 20- Kurdistan Platform for National Issues.
- 21- Dabin Organization for Democracy and Human Rights Development.
- 22- Youth Development Center.
- 23- Halabja Organizations Network.
- 24- Idea Organization for Democracy and Social Awareness
- 25- People's Development Organization PDO.
- 26- Coalition 188 – Sulaimani.
27. 8 March Network.
- 28- Kurdish English Academy for Education and Training.
- 29- Scholar Organization for Education.
- 30- Kurdistan Economic Development Organization.
31. Transparency and Accountability Coalition.
- 32- NGO Coordination Network.
- 33- AMAZHA Organization for Human Development.
- 34- Women's Media and Intellectual Organization.
- 35- Youth Awareness Organization.
- 36- Shler Organization for Environmental Tourism Development.
- 37- Ronya Organization for Health Awareness.
38. NGO Coalition Network.
- 39- Independent Women's Organization.
40. Shana Plus Organization for Health Care.
- 41- Dream House Organization.
- 42- Media Organization.
- 43- Concept Organization for Reform and Construction.
- 44- People's Wind Organization.
- 45- Avezan Organization for Training and Social Awareness.
46. White Flag Organization for Peaceful Coexistence.
47. Shine Organization for Science and Higher Education Development.

- 48- Kico Organization.
- 49- Students' House Organization.
50. Federation of Civil Society Organizations.
- 51- Shari Organization.
52. Sinai Organization.
- 53- Zhiway Organization.
- 54- Youth Development Center.
- 55- Zhiyar for Education and Human Development.
- 56- Aran Organization for Civic Culture Development.
- 57- Green Kurdistan Association.
- 58- Shenroi Kakai Organization.
- 59- Pomegranate Organization.
- 60- Twanest Organization.
61. Fire Awareness Organization.
- 62- Ronak Jaff Organization for Development.
- 63- Westga News.
64. Everest Organization.
- 65- Kurdistan Kidney Protection Organization.
- 66- Dldar Organization.
- 67- Halabja Branch of Leading Teachers Council
- 68- Kurdistan Medical Science Organization for the Development of Medical Science
- 69- Kurdistan Islamic Union Sisters Organization
- 70- Kurdistan Students Development Organization
- 71- Kurdistan Students Organization
- 72- Islamic Sisters Organization
- 73- Cultural Culture Organization
74. Institute of International Law
- 75- Green Kurdistan Association / Erbil Center
- 76- Zhiwar Organization for Awareness and Culture Development
77. National Center for Human Rights
- 78- Himay Cultural Organization
- 79- Standard Research and Development Agency
- 80- Kurdistan Children's Nursery Organization
81. Sisters of the Islamic Relations Movement
- 82- Diyari Organization for Education and Culture.
- 83- Chapk Organization for Human Development
- 84- Success House Organization for Skills Development
- 85- Youth and Students Development Organization
- 86- Kurdish Institute for Elections
- 87- Kurdish Media Monitoring Organization (CMK)
88. The New Organization
- 89- Public Service Organization for Humanitarian Aid and Development.

- 90- Women's Media and Intellectual Organization
- 91- Kurdistan Women's Union.
- 92- Democracy and Human Rights Development Center –DHRD
- 93- Sardam Education Organization
- 94. General Assembly of Needy Teachers and Employees
- 95. Marov Center.
- 96- Friends of Gaziza Theater Troupe.
- 97- Qareman Sheikh Bzeni Organization for Cancer Patients.
- 98 Domestic Political Prisoners Association
- 99. City Organization for Human Development
- 100- Jaf Organization for Education and Human Development