



Key Measures Undertaken by the Islamic Republic of Iran in the Field of Human and Citizens' Rights

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Notable Judicial Actions

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The most important measures in judicial field

Non-Implementation of Qisas Punishment through Obtaining the Consent of the Next of Kin

- Obtaining the consent of the next of kin and the non-implementation of the punishment of qisas for 120 individuals sentenced to qisas nationwide from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026, as a result of the efforts of Dispute Resolution Branches across the country.

Reconciliation as a Result of the Efforts of the Dispute Resolution Council

- Reconciliation and settlement achieved in 340025 cases of concluded, reconcilable cases (equivalent to 47.14%) in Dispute Resolution Branches nationwide from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026;
- Release of 5317 prisoners and prevention of the imprisonment of 305 individuals as a result of achieving reconciliation, through the efforts of Dispute Resolution Council branches stationed in prisons and peace mediators (Peace Companions) across the country from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026.

Release from Prison through the Assistance of Benefactors and the Efforts of the Blood Money (Diyyah) Committee

- The release of 3758 prisoners convicted of unintentional offenses from prisons across the country from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026, through the assistance of the Blood Money (Diyyah) Committee and charitable benefactors, with payments exceeding 39,000 billion Rials.

Leave and Release through the Use of Leniency Mechanisms

- Approval of pardon, release, and sentence reduction for 2,108 convicted persons nationwide (comprising 919 cases of pardon and release and 1,189 cases of sentence reduction) on the occasion of the anniversary of the victory of the Islamic Revolution (11 February 2026), from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026. It should be noted that among those granted clemency were 138 women, 23 foreign nationals, and 5 offenders aged 18 years or younger.

- The release of 31990 prisoners nationwide through the application of legal leniency measures and judicial facilities from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026;
- Issuance of more than 31787 cases of alternative punishments to imprisonment by judges nationwide, from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026;
- 157417 prisoners nationwide benefiting from more than 430365 instances of prison leave, from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026;
- The release of 6146 eligible prisoners nationwide from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026, through the use of electronic monitoring (electronic ankle bracelets).

Visits to Prisons, Oversight of the Rights of Prisoners and Clients of the Judiciary, and Facilitation of Electronic Judicial Proceedings

- Meetings held and requests reviewed for 660601 individuals referring to judicial complexes nationwide by Chief Justices of provincial courts, prosecutors, and other judicial officials from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026, with the necessary orders issued accordingly;
- Review of 213 public petitions by judges and judicial officials nationwide through the establishment of public service desks in mosques, prayer halls (Mosallas), and other venues from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026;
- Review of 4414 public requests during provincial visits of the Head of the Judiciary and other judicial officials to the provinces of Boushehr, Markazi, Isfahan, and Albors from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026;
- Provision of consultation and responses to the requests of 6087 individuals who referred in person to the General Department of Public Communications of the Judiciary from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026, and meetings with and review of the requests of 3498 of these individuals by senior judicial officials.

- Responding to 13512 requests registered in the Judiciary's Public Communications System (SAME') from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026;
- Conducting more than 37470 prison visits by judges nationwide and holding meetings with 133740 prisoners from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026, resulting in the issuance of orders granting prison leave to more than 73964 prisoners, orders for the release of more than 33607 prisoners, approval of more than 11529 requests for employment, and approval of the application of legal leniency measures for more than 46581 prisoners;
- Holding more than 129181 electronic judicial proceedings for prisoners in civil and criminal courts nationwide from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026.
- Allocation of 1151184 appointments to clients electronically and without in-person attendance, through the electronic appointment scheduling system for referral to branches and centralized units for enforcement of judgments, from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026,;
- Issuance of 1091976 certificates of no criminal record to applicants electronically and without in-person attendance, through the online system for registering requests for certificates of no criminal record, from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026.

Education, Vocational Training, Employment of Prisoners, and Support for their Families

- Conducting vocational training and employment courses for more than 110193 prisoners, from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026;
- Providing support, medical, and educational services to more than 47326 families of prisoners nationwide through Prisoners' Support Associations;
- Employment of more than 82012 prisoners from 22 December 2025 to 20 March 2026, with monthly wages paid to them.

Key Notable Measures in the Non-Judicial Domain

Activities of more than one thousand environmental NGOs nationwide

23 December 2025 – According to a report by the Office of Public Participation of the Environmental Protection Organization, approximately 1050 non-governmental organizations (NGOs) are actively engaged in environmental activities across the country.

Approval and promulgation of 33 occupational standards for persons with disabilities

24 December 2025 – According to a report by the State Welfare Organization, 33 occupational competency standards specifically designed for persons with disabilities were developed, approved, and officially promulgated for implementation through a joint initiative of the State Welfare Organization and the Technical and Vocational Training Organization of the country.

Issuance of a directive prohibiting corporal punishment at schools

26 December 2025 – According to a report by the Ministry of Education, a directive entitled “Prohibition of Corporal Punishment of Students and Mistreatment against them for any Reason and under any Circumstances” was issued to provincial education departments, local education districts, and schools nationwide in order to safeguard and uphold the rights of children.

Preparation of version 3 of the National Family Physician Document for patients with special diseases and travelers

26 January 2026 – According to a report by the Ministry of Health and Medical Education, version 3 of the National Family Physician Document, as a result of more than 2,000 person-hours of expert work, comprehensively addresses policy, implementation, payment mechanisms, specialty classifications, and service coverage for patients with special diseases and travelers, and is ready for final promulgation.

Iranian professor receives the Organization of the Islamic Conference's Best Research Paper Award

28 January 2026 – According to a report by the Environmental Protection Organization, Lobat Taghavi, a full professor in the field of environmental pollution at the Science and Research Branch of the Islamic Azad University of Tehran, was awarded the OIC-COMSTECH Award for the Best Research Paper of the Organization of the Islamic Conference Permanent Committee for Scientific and Technological Cooperation in 2025 in the field of biology, in recognition of her provision of sustainable environmental solutions and soil improvement research.

Iran University of Medical Sciences ranked the country's top medical university in the Shanghai Global Ranking

2 February 2026 – According to a report by Iran University of Medical Sciences, the university achieved a significant rise in the latest subject-specific edition of the Shanghai Global Ranking of Academic Subjects and was recognized as the leading medical university in Iran in the field of medicine.

Development of professional profiles for rural women entrepreneurs

17 February 2026 – According to a report by the Ministry of Agriculture Jihad, professional profiles are being developed for rural women entrepreneurs in order to systematize and support the growth pathway of rural and nomadic women entrepreneurs.

Activation of the Sama Card for persons with disabilities on Snapp

24 February 2026 – According to a report by the State Welfare Organization, from the beginning of March 2026, arrangements were made to enable holders of Iran's Disability Travel Card (Sama Card) to use app-based taxi services. At present, this travel card is available to persons with severe and very severe physical-mobility, visual, and hearing disabilities.

Activity of 900 addiction treatment centers and distribution of relief packages to homeless individuals during wartime conditions

17 March 2026– According to a report by the Social Emergency Center, more than 900 addiction treatment centers are operating across the country. At present, 20,000 addicted individuals have been accommodated in residential treatment centers, where they receive care and rehabilitation services. In addition, livelihood assistance and hygiene packages are being distributed at places frequently presented by people with substance use disorders and homeless individuals.

Women constitute 30 percent of the workforce in Tehran

According to the Director General of Cooperatives, Labour and Social Welfare of Tehran Province, speaking at the Grand Gathering of the Labour and Production Community of Tehran Province (20 January 2026), there are more than 3.4 million insured workers in Tehran Province, of whom approximately 30 percent are women.

Official announcement of the resolution on issuing motorcycle licenses for women

With the announcement of the First Vice President on February 3, the cabinet resolution on issuing motorcycle licenses for women entered the implementation phase. According to this announcement, the Law Enforcement Command is responsible for providing practical training and conducting exams for female applicants under the supervision of the traffic police.

50 billion Rials donation by the Leader of the Revolution for the release of needy prisoners

On the eve of the 39th Golrizan Celebration of the National Blood Money Center on February 2, coinciding with the holy month of Ramadan, Ayatollah Khamenei, the Leader of the Islamic Revolution, allocated 50 billion Rials for this cause.

On the eve of the 39th Golrizan Charity Ceremony of the Diyah Headquarters, held on 21 February 2026, and coinciding with the holy month of Ramadan, Ayatollah Khamenei, the Leader of the Islamic Revolution, allocated fifty billion Rials to this benevolent and charitable cause.

28 percent increase in candidate registration for Islamic City Council Elections

19 January 2026 – The Head of the National Election Headquarters announced that 66,094 candidates had registered for the Islamic City Council elections, stating that this figure represents a 28 percent increase compared with the previous election cycle. He further noted that registrations by women and young people under the age of 30 had also increased, with the numerical growth in registrations by women exceeding that of other groups.

