

2017 BALANCE-SHEET OF HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN TURKEY

VIOLATIONS OF THE RIGHT TO LIFE

	DEAD	WOUNDED
SUMMARY EXECUTION		
Those Killed and Wounded by Security Forces for Disobeying Stop Warning, Violation of Use of Weapon, Attacks in Social Demonstrations	(7 people lost their lives as a result of bombardment by SiHA (Armed UAV) TOTAL: 30	(10 citizens were wounded as a result of bombardment by SiHA (Armed UAV) TOTAL: 39
Those Killed and Wounded by village Guards	2 Children	4
Those Killed and Wounded in Frontier Regions	1	1
Those Killed and Wounded by Private Security Guards	--	18
TOTAL	33	62
DEATHS IN DETENTION		
DEATHS IN DETENTION	3 children burned to death, 8 inmates with the claim of suicide, 6 inmates as a result of sickness and 2 inmates were killed by other inmates. TOTAL: 19 Ministry of Justice: Stated as a response to a parliamentary question that 40 inmates committed suicide after the coup attempt.	6 Children
DEATHS/INJURIES IN DETENTION	3	1
ATTACKS BY UNKNOWN ASSAILANTS	12	16 wounded including 1 child
FORMAL FALLACY AND NEGLIGENCE		
Those Killed and Wounded as a result of Formal Fallacy and Negligence	23 citizens including 8 children lost their lives due to armoured or civilian police vehicle crash, 47 citizens including 24 children lost their lives as a result of foral fallacy. TOTAL: 46	26 people including 6 children, 1 police, and 3 soldiers got injured as a result of getting hit by armoured vehicle. 1367 soldiers were hospitalized as a result of food poisoning, 1 soldier lost his life. In various schools, 1431 students were hospitalized from food poisoning, 20 students were hospitalized as a result of a fire, and 60 students hospitalized

		because of the smell of hydrochloric acid in school. 600 students are made to eat on the floors. 420 workers got poisoned from food, 37 workers got poisoned from leakage. 133 inmates got poisoned from food. 65 tourists got poisoned from food that they ate in a hotel. 66 people including 23 children were hospitalized because of formal fallacy. 315 adults were hospitalized because they got poisoned from food in weddings, meetings and charity dinners.
Self Murders / Murder Attempts / Suspicious Deaths of Police and Soldiers	3 police officers' suicide claims, 1 police officer dead 3 specialist sergeants' suicide claims, Claims of torture to 2 soldiers, claims of death of 2 soldiers and claims of suicide of 1 squadron leader TOTAL: 19	--
Those Committed Suicide Subsequent to Being Dismissed from Profession through Decree-Laws http://www.kesk.org.tr/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/19_01_2018-rapor.pdf	In 2016: 24 In 2017: 19	
ATTACKS BY ILLEGAL ORGANIZATIONS (Those Carried Out in Civilian Settlements)		
Istanbul//Ortaköy on 1 February 2017	39	65
Şanlıurfa/Viranşehir/Court House Lodging Building	2	18
Izmir/Buca on 31 August 2017 by means of Improvised Explosive Device placed in thrash can	-	10
TOTAL	41	93
THOSE EXPOSED TO ATTACKS		
Political Party, Trade Union and Association Executive / Member	3	39
Journalist	--	7
Teacher	--	3
Student	--	19
Police/Gendarmerie/Soldier/Village Guard	7	10
Miscellaneous (Worker, Refugee, Sports Player, Lawyer, Health Worker and others)	8	73
TOTAL	18	151

ARMED CONFLICTS		
Soldier, Police and Temporary Village Guard	Including 126 Soldiers, 10 Police Officers and 25 Village Guards TOTAL: 161 Dead	Including 220 Soldiers, 25 Police Officers and 64 Village Guards TOTAL 309 Wounded
Armed Militants	483	26
Civilians	12	14
TOTAL	656	349
AS A RESULT OF LAND MINES AND UNCLAIMED BOMBS CIVILIANS KILLED & WOUNDED		
Male	1	10
Women		1
Children	6	17
TOTAL	7	18
SUSPICIOUS DEATHS AND INJURIES		
Male	21	--
Women	17	--
Children	11	--
TOTAL	49	
HONOR KILLINGS		
Male	1	--
Women	2	--
Children	--	--
HATE CRIME MURDERS/INJURIES	2	21
TOTAL	5	21
VIOLATIONS TOWARDS WOMEN'S RIGHT TO LIFE		
Women Suicides	51	21
Violence, Sexual Assault, Harassment against Women; Women Exposed to Domestic Violence	357	589
Women Forced to Prostitution	--	1074
TOTAL	408	1684
VIOLATIONS TOWARDS CHILDREN'S RIGHT TO LIFE		
Children Suicides	15 (8 Female, 7 Male)	6 (5 Female, 1 Male)
Children Exposed to Domestic Violence and Violence in Social Sphere, Sexual Assault and Harassment	84 children including 4 in occupational accidents	682 sexual abuse, violence, detention including 132 child brides TOTAL: 805
TOTAL	99	811

DISAPPEARANCES IN DETENTION

Disappearances in Detention	Hüseyin Kötüce, Turgut Çapan, Mesut Geçer, Önder Asan, Cengiz Usta, Mustafa Özben, Fatih Kılıç, Durmuş Ali Çetin ve Ümit Horzum. (9)
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TORTURE, ILL-TREATMENT, INUMAN AND DEGRADING TREATMENT AND PUNISHMENT

Torture and Ill-treatment in Detention	Including 14 children TOTAL: 427
Torture and Ill-Treatment Out of Detention Places	Including 22 children TOTAL: 489
Torture and Ill-Treatment Committed by Village Guards	3
Torture and Ill-treatment in Prisons	1988 including 22 Children
Those Threatened by Security Forces and Offered to an Agent of the State	131 including 5 Children
Those Beaten and Wounded as a result of Intervention by Security Forces in Social Demonstrations	2193 including 70 children
Those Exposed to Torture and Ill-Treatment by Private Security Guards	28
Violence in Schools	9 Students
TOTAL	5268 citizens including 133 children

CURFEWS

During the period beginning from 16 August 2015 when the curfews started to be implemented indefinitely till 1 march 2018, curfews were announced for formally establishable 299 times in 11 provinces and at least 49 districts. Additionally,

<https://tihv.org.tr/16-agustos-2015-1-mart-2018-tarihleri-arasinda-ilan-edilen-sokaga-cikma-yasaklari/>

VIOLATION OF PERSONAL SECURITY AND FREEDOM

Detentions	12.145 people including 84 children
Arrests	1783 persons including 41 house arrests and 30 children
Racist / Ideology-driven Attacks	1 woman was killed in an attack carried out against a family who came from Şanlıurfa as hazelnut worker and stayed in a tent. 13 houses were marked for being Alevite, 12 people were beaten due to being a Kurd
Arrested Journalists	According to data collected by Solidarity Platform with the Arrested Journalists, as from 31 December 2017, 213 journalists, 27 of whom are publishers and editors in chief, are kept in prison as detainees and convicted prisoners in Turkey.

<p>Arrested MPs and Mayors</p>	<p>HDP Former Co-Presidents Selahattin Demirtaş and Figen Yüksekdağ, Çağlar Demirel, İdris Baluken, Abdullah Zeydan, Burcu Çelik, Ferhat Encü, Gülser Yıldırım, Selma Irmak. CHP MP Enis Berberoğlu MPs TOTAL: 10</p> <p>Mayors: 68 mayors including Diyarbakır and Diyarbakır Mayors Gültan Kışanak and Bekir Kaya are still in prison.</p>
<p>Abducted Soldiers and Police Officers</p>	<p>Police officers Vedat Kaya, Sedat Yabalak; Specialist Sergeants Hüseyin Sarı, Süleyman Sungur, Sedat Vardar, Ferdi Polat, Ümit Gıcı, Mevlüt Kahveci Astsubay Semih Özbey; Privates Müslüm Altuntaş, Sedat Sorgun, Adil Kavaklı</p> <p>TOTAL: 12</p>
<p>Arrested Human Rights Defenders</p>	<p>HRDs still in detention: Taner Kılıç, Osman Kavala, Olcay Öztürk, Özgür Ateş, Abdullah Gürgen, Azad Taş, Yannis Vasilis Yaylalı.</p>
<p>Arrests and Detentions in Gulenist Organization Investigations</p>	<p>On 9 January 2018 the Ministry of Interior Süleyman Soylu stated that “Only in 2017 46.305 people were arrested in the operations carried out against the FETO Terrorist Organization. The number of detainees is around three times. These numbers alone is sufficient to present the severity of the situation.” (From the press)</p>

VIOLATIONS AGAINST THE FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION

<p>Prohibited Activities</p>	<p>41 (3 concerts, 3 conferences, 3 panels, 3 movie and theater screenings, 5 newroz celebrations, 8 meetings, 2 festivals, 4 miscellaneous activities, 4 marches, 3 press conferences, 3 commemorations, 2 protest actions, 1 signature stand, 1 award ceremony) were periodically prohibited in many cities throughout Turkey by Governorships within the scope of State of Emergency</p>
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Withdrawn, Prohibited, Closed and Fined Media Outlets	<p>5 newspapers were withdrawn, 1 local newspaper and 1 magazine were closed. 2 banners were withdrawn 17 times; 4 brochures, bulletins, posters and postcards were withdrawn.</p> <p>5 books were withdrawn, 2200 books were confiscated.</p> <p>2 TV channels were closed down and 3 TV channels were withdraw from TURKSAT satellite.</p>
Raided Newspapers and Media Outlets	6 (1 distribution office, 3 journal offices, police raid to 1 publishing house, an attack to 1 publishing house)
Blocked Internet Sites	123 (establishable)
Cases Launched against Academics for Peace	148

INVESTIGATIONS LAUNCHED IN 2017

Number of investigations: 112 people 1698

CASES OPENED IN 2017	CASES CONTINUED IN 2017	CASES CONCLUDED IN 2017
24 cases against 1103 people could be established.	135 cases against 717 people could be established.	<p>It was established that 3125 years of prison sentence against 528 people could be established.</p> <p>It was established that 189 people were acquitted.</p> <p>It was established that 412.849,00 TL fine was imposed on 191 people.</p> <p>It was established that 189 people were acquitted.</p>

VIOLATIONS OF FREEDOM OF ASSEMBLY AND DEMONSTRATION

Meetings and Demonstrations Intervened by Security Forces	735
Investigations launched in 2017	11 investigations against 129 people
Cases opened in 2017	37 cases against 857 people
Cases continued in 2017	17 cases against 187 people
Cases concluded in 2017	

292 years of prisons sentence against 60 people, 25 people acquitted, 147.000.078 TL fine imposed on 33 people

VIOLATIONS OF THE FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION

Political Parties, Trade Unions and Associations Raided or Attacked	50 (Police raided 14 municipality buildings, 15 political party buildings, 2 youth federations, 3 cultural centers; 16 political party buildings were attacked)
Closed or Desired to be Closed Political Parties, Trade Unions and Associations / Municipalities to which Trustees were Appointed	105 Associations, 25 Foundations, 13 health Centers, 2 Women Solidarity Houses, 1 Kindergarten belonging to 1 Municipality, 1 Community Center TOTAL: 147

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RIGHTS

http://www.kesk.org.tr/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/19_01_2018-rapor.pdf

You can check the link above regarding the violations stemmed from the State of Emergency in 2017 against the Confederation of Public Labourers' Unions (KESK) and KESK-affiliated trade unions.

<http://www.guvenlicalisma.org/> : At least 2006 workers lost their lives in 2017.

367 public officers were dismissed from profession through 4 Decree-Laws published on 23 January 2017.

4464 people were dismissed from public service in line with the 686 numbered Decree-Law published in Official Gazette on 7 february 2017 by Cabinet Decision.

227 judges and prosecutors were dismissed in line with the 13 February 2017 dated Council of Judges and Prosecutors (HSK) decision and the 2017/35 numbered decision of the HSK.

202 judges and prosecutors were dismissed in line with the 17 March 2017 dated Council of Judges and Prosecutors (HSK) decision and the 2017/113 numbered decision of the HSK.

45 judges and prosecutors were dismissed in line with the 4 April 2017 dated Council of Judges and Prosecutors (HSK) decision and the 2017/665 numbered decision of the HSK.

3974 public officer were dismissed in line with the 689 numbered Decree-Law ratified by the Cabinet and published on the Official Gazette within the scope of the State of Emergency.

107 judges and prosecutors were dismissed on 5 May 2017 in line with the decision of Council of Judges and Prosecutors (HSK) and the 2017/682 numbered decision of the HSK.

Within the scope of teh State of Emergency, a new Decree-Law was published on 14 July 2017. With this Decree, 7395 personnel were dismissed from public service due to being in connection and coherence with terrorist organizations.

928 public servants were dismissed on 25 August 2017 through the 693 numbered Decree-Law within the State of Emergency.

39 judges and prosecutors were dismissed on 5 October 2017 in line with the decision of Council of Judges and Prosecutors (HSK) and the 2017/770 numbered decision of the HSK.

2765 public servants were dismissed on 24 December 2017 through the 695 numbered Decree-Law within the State of Emergency.

TOTAL: 20.513

PRISONS

Violation of the Right to Health	1429
Violation of the Right to Communication in prisons	518
Disciplinary Punishments in Prisons	734
Transfer/Exile Practices in Prisons	2319