

*Word of the Month:*

*Might Trump's extremist agenda be his undoing?*

*Donald Trump's principal campaign slogan is 'America First'. With this slogan, he portrays American society's problems in the most simplistic way possible while ignoring fundamental issues such as the wealth disparity between rich and poor. All of America's woes supposedly emanate from foreigners. Add potent racism to the mix and Trump's toxic message is complete. This meshes easily with his overwhelmingly White core supporters.*

*These are key elements of his narrative:*

- 1. America is unduly burdened by military expenditure. If other countries of the world (such as Saudi Arabia and even Taiwan) require American protection for their security, they will have to pay for it. This includes the US' European allies in NATO. Trump declares they will have to pay a larger share of NATO's expenditure: in practice, buying more American weapons. He is unhappy with American expenditure on Ukraine and claims that, should he be elected, Ukraine's war with Russia will be ended almost immediately.*
- 2. Trump does not share the world's concern about global warming and does not recognise American responsibility in this regard. Instead, he says climate concerns are deeply harmful to America's economy. On the one hand, they lead to restrictions on the extraction, sale and use of US oil and gas deposits while, on the other, such restrictions lead to higher costs for American manufacturers. As such, they damage the American job market.*
- 3. Trump does not like 'globalisation' and considers this tantamount to the export of American job opportunities. Therefore, he calls for the return of industrial and commodity production to the US, preserving more American jobs.*

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**Issuing Death Sentences, Intensifying Repression Against Civil Activists, Signs of the Regime's Fear of the Growth of the Revolutionary Movement!**

Immediately after the regime's recent election show and the success of the people's movement in confronting this show and boycotting it, the repression and killing machine of the Islamic Republic was re-oiled and

started a massive attack. Pakhshan Azizi, a Kurdish civil activist and social worker was sentenced to death after the trial in Branch 26 of the Revolutionary Court and her death sentence was



announced on July 23. On August 4, 2023, Pakhshan was arrested in Tehran, and subjected to interrogation and torture in Ward 209 of Evin prison, in the winter of the same year, she was accused of "rebellion through membership in opposition groups" and "armed uprising against the Islamic regime". Pakhshan has announced in a letter that "I have been hanged many times by the interrogators". She has been tortured long time by the executioners of the regime. Before that, "Sharifa Mohammadi", a labor and civil activist imprisoned in Lakan prison, was tried on Thursday, July 4, 2024, in the first branch of Rasht Revolutionary Court on the charge of "revolt" and sentenced to death. Sharife Mohammadi has

been in custody since December 5, 2023, and spent months in solitary confinement and was subjected to severe physical and mental torture and pressure to obtain forced confessions. She has also been denied the right to visit her family and make phone calls. Simultaneously with the announcement of these sentences, executions in prisons have also increased. The death sentence of Kamran Sheikhe, a Sunni Kurdish political prisoner, has been executed in Urmia Central Prison after serving 15 years of imprisonment. Kamran Sheikhe and Farhad Salimi, Davood Abdullahi, Ayoub Karimi, Anwar Khezri, Qasim Abste and Khosrow Basharat were arrested in February 2010. Based on his

confessions under torture and without a fair trial, he was sentenced to death by Branch 28 of the Revolutionary Court headed by Judge Mohammad Moqiseh in March 2016. In addition, in recent weeks, more than 20 people have been executed in regime prisons on charges such as drug trafficking and other crimes. Some others have been sent to solitary confinement to execute the death sentence. The prisoners of Evin women's prison have started a protest and sit-in protesting the death sentence of Pakhshan Azizi. Prisoners of other prisons have also protested against executions in solidarity with them. They have declared that resistance and protest against repression and executions do not differentiate between "ordinary and non-ordinary", "political and non-political" prisoners. At the same time, the pressure of the regime's repression forces on civil activists has increased. Mohammad Habibi, a civil activist, a member of the board of directors of the Iran Teachers Union, was summoned by the second branch of the Shahriar Revolutionary Court and

sentenced to six months and one day in prison. Sepideh Rashnou, Donya Qalibaf, Atefe Rangriz, Maryam Idrisi, Mozghan Salmanzadeh, Metin Yazdani, Jaloh Javaheri, Azadeh Chavoshian, Negin Rezaei, Forough Samiania, Shiva Shahsiah and dozens of other civil activists have been summoned to execute the sentences. Syndicalists and labor activists including Reza Shahabi and Davood Razavi are still in prison.

These actions are taking place during the regime's election show and the preparation of the new cabinet, where some of the reformists and other supporters of the new president have filled the media with empty promises about the miracles of "Massoud Pezeshkian", but they are silent about all these repressions and executions. Contrary to these claims, the regime's criminal actions show a wide-ranging plan to deal with the force of boycotting the recent election show and to take revenge on the movement that has put fear in the hearts of the regime leaders and, it's main and declared goal is to overthrow the regime. A movement that made its

presence more visible and alive by boycotting the election show of the regime and demonstrating its strong will to pursue its campaign goals once again.

The Left Party of Iran considers the issuing of death sentences and the intensification of repression by the regime as a sign of the Islamic Republic's fear of the emergence of the revolutionary movement "Women, Life, Freedom" and its desperation against this movement. Our party supports the widespread activity of civil activists in confronting the regime's repression policy and fighting for the abolition of death sentences and is fully involved with these efforts. We call all political and civil forces and human rights defenders to solidarity and joint effort to confront the lunatic actions of the regime. It is only with the solidarity and unity of different parts of the political and civil movement that it is possible to put an end to the life of the regime of repression and execution.

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### **We Condemn the Racist Treatment of Afghan Immigrants!**

Once again, news indicating harassment of hard-working Afghan immigrants has been circulating in virtual media and some newspapers. According to this news, in some areas where Afghan immigrants live, some provoked people attacked these immigrants with knives and machetes and injured some of them. News and information indicate that in such cases, instead of interfering and preventing the attack, the police only monitor the scene of these attacks. In just the last few days, more than 20 Afghan citizens have been beaten up and some of them have been seriously injured in District 15 of Tehran. Such attacks have also occurred in other areas. Also, Afghan nationals have been removed from Farahzad neighborhood of Tehran by the special unit of Greater Tehran police. In many areas, Afghans cannot leave their homes due to pressure and threats. In some areas in other parts of Iran, landlords have been under pressure not to accept Afghan immigrants and they have been asked not



to rent them and if they are living somewhere, to set a deadline for evacuation.

Due to its incompetence in managing the society, the Islamic Republic pretends the presence of Afghan immigrants as the cause of the people's problems, and in fact, these hard-working immigrants escaping from the Taliban are the cause of the aggravation of poverty, unemployment, high prices, lack of housing, and the general misery of the Iranian people and the increase in crime. While according to some statistics, in the city of Tehran, which is the most important area of presence of Afghan immigrants in Iran, the crime rate of Afghans is 30 to 70 percent compared to Iranians. Most of the crimes related to this 30% are directed at the immigrants themselves and do not include

Iranians. During the years of their stay in Iran, Afghan immigrants have never created a significant problem for the people of Iran. The problematic force for the Iranian people and the Afghan immigrants is the Islamic Republic itself, which has not only graded the Iranian people based on its ideology and organized discrimination, but also measures the Afghan immigrants with the same standards, and by creating the Fatemiyoun Brigade from among these immigrants, it has endangered their lives and security and killed many of them in its regional adventures.

Workers and wage earners are producers of wealth all over the world and they are not the cause of poverty and unemployment anywhere in the world. The shameful propaganda of the regime and extreme nationalists

should be unearthed by leftist, libertarian and civil movement activists. Afghan migrant workers have the right to benefit from their human rights, like Iranian citizens, and their rights recognized in international conventions for migrants and refugees. These immigrants in Iran generally live illegally due to the negligence of the regime in providing their human rights, and without the support of the Iranian regime, they are left on their own and are mostly engaged in hard work, and they are always worried about being sent back to their country.

The Left Party of Iran calls on the political organizations, human rights institutions, democratic associations and people of Iran, not to let some provoked and ignorant people tarnish the human countenance of the Iranian people with their racist behavior. We have a duty to defend the rights and dignity of Afghan immigrants. The people of Iran and Afghanistan live side by side, share a common language, culture and history. It is our moral and human duty to protect the rights of Afghan immigrants and refugees.



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**Assassination of Ismail Haniyeh in Tehran, in the Service of Spreading Conflict and Tension in the Region!**



The assassination of Ismail Haniyeh in Tehran, which took place immediately after the inauguration ceremony of the new president of the Islamic Republic of Iran, causes expansion of the scope of the war beyond the borders of Israel and Palestine, at the same time, a warning to the Islamic Republic in the heart of Tehran. This action showed the power of the right-wing government of Israel and the influence of the Israeli spy service in the security apparatus of the regime and emphasized the point that not only the guests, but also no official or institution in Iran has

sufficient security. A regime that is all about security control over the daily lives of citizens and applying the most severe repressions against their protests, does not even have the ability to maintain the security of its senior guests. Although it has been revealed for a long time that the Israeli espionage network has penetrated to the depths of the corrupt system of the regime and the intelligence agencies of the Supreme Leader, which are looking day and night to arrest girls and women who do not submit to the mandatory hijab, and in the most violent way workers, employees, pensioners, people of ethnic areas and even the families of political prisoners are oppressed, they are unable to deal with the influence of a foreign government among the top institutions of the regime.....

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**Environment in Iran**  
**An exercise to live without single-use plastic**

Nasim Roshanaee - About 450 million tons of plastic are produced yearly

worldwide. Iran's share is three million tons per year. The equivalent of more than two thousand ships dump plastic into oceans, rivers and lakes every day, and if no action is taken, it is predicted that plastic will triple by 2060. July 3rd is "No Plastic Bag" World Day, and July 21 is named "No Nylex Day" in Iran. A movement called "Plastic Free July" has been launched worldwide. This movement has inspired more than 100 million participants in 190 countries. The "Plastic Free July" movement believes that making a small change will bring massive changes in all societies. The members of this movement are trying to stop using single-use plastics in July and beyond. Making a conscious choice and refraining from using plastic helps us to find better alternatives that can permanently change the habits of our daily lives.

**Iran's contribution to the plastic problem**

In July of last year, the Young Journalists Club reported that more than three million tons of plastic are produced in Iran yearly. Most of these plastics are also durable

and take hundreds of years to decompose. Mehdi Khadim Samani, director general of the Environmental Protection Organization's waste management office, said in a report by the Islamic Republic News Agency (IRNA) in July 2022:

About 185,000 tons of plastic are produced in the country every year, which cannot be returned to nature and causes great damage to the environment, therefore we must pay more attention to the collection of plastic waste and recycling. This regulation has 10 articles. The first step to facing the plastic problem in Iran is to approve these regulations. However, some experts are not sure about the implementation of this law. Mohammad Alizadeh, an environmental expert, was one of those who was not optimistic about the implementation of this regulation, and two years ago, he told "Rasalat" newspaper:

Simply writing laws and regulations cannot solve the problem, unless the environmental departments and executive agencies supervise. For example, the industry sector should apply its own supervision in the case of packaging

industries, and the national standard organization should revise and announce its own standards with more force. There must be specific laboratories in this field so that monitoring tools can play their effective role; currently, the number of active laboratories in this field is limited. Even though the tasks are specified in the regulations and the waste management law, this ministry does not want to act.

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