

Human Rights Violation in Turkey

Summary Table of 2003

I. RIGHT TO LIFE		
I.2. Extrajudicial Executions		
I.2.1. Killed by security forces in stop warnings	13 deaths	7 injuries
I.2.3. Extrajudicial Executions	3 deaths	-
I.2.4. Injured/killed by village guards	12 deaths	16 injuries
Total	44 deaths	49 injuries
I.3. Deaths/Injuries in Prisons		
Suicides	11	
Deaths due to death fasts or hunger strikes	2	
People who burned themselves	1	
People murdered or injured by other prisoners	3 deaths	11 injuries
Deaths due to a lack of treatment	3 individuals	
Total	20 deaths	11 injuries
I.4. Deaths in Police Custody		
Deaths in police custody	2 individuals	
I.4.1. Trials about deaths in police custody	10 cases	
I.5. Attacks by unidentified assailants		
Deaths and injuries	50 deaths	3 injuries
I.6. Enforced Disappearances		
Suspiciously disappeared	2 individuals	
People whose corpses were found	1 individuals	
Total	3 individuals	
I.7. Doubtful Deaths		
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I.8. Official Negligence and Fault		
Suicides of police and gendarmerie	18 individuals	
Who attempted to suicides	3 individuals	
Total	21 individuals	
I.9. People Attacked (Civilian Conflicts)		
University Students	99 students	
Journalists	66 individuals	
Members and executives of political parties	11 individuals	
Teachers	11 individuals	
Member of Trade Unions	8 individuals	
Members of Associations and Foundations	8 individuals	

Local Executives	9 individuals	
Others	15 individuals	
Total	222 individuals	
I.10. Armed Conflicts		
Deaths and Injuries in armed conflicts	104 deaths	76 injuries
I.11. Killed and injured by illegal organizations		
Deaths and injuries	57 deaths	755 injuries
I.12. Explosion of Landmines and Unidentified Ordinances		
Deaths and injuries	20 deaths	50 injuries
Asylum seekers and migrants	99 deaths	
I.13. Torture and ill, Inhuman or degrading treatments or punishments		
I.13.1. Torture and ill treatment under police custody	818	
I.13.2. Torture and ill treatments by village guards	30	
I.13.3. Ill treatment and torture outside of the official detention premises	241	
Torture in prisons	113	
I.13.4. Threatened and forced to be reporter	189	
I.13.5. Injured and beaten by security forces during social demonstrations	458	
Total	1849 individuals	
I.14. Violence Against Women and Children		
Who might be disappeared	5	
Whose corpses were found	3	
I.14.1. Women and Children Suicides	61 (include 20 children)	
Who attempted to suicide	21 (include 5 children)	
I.14.2. Honor Killings and Injuries	40 deaths	7 injuries
I.14.3. Violence in Families	37 deaths	14 injuries
I.14.4. Violence Against Women 10 (assaults, murders and injuries)		
I.14.5 Violence and assaults against children	18	
II. LIBERTY and PERSONAL SECURITY		
II.2. Individuals taken under detention		
Turkish citizens taken under detention	9648	
Asylum seekers and migrants taken under detention	2758	
Total	12406	
II.3. Individuals arrested		
Turkish citizens arrested	1196	
III. Right to be asylum		
Asylum seekers deported	98	

IV. FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION	
IV.2. Banned Publications and Activities	
IV.2.1. Banned posters and declarations	29 (posters, declarations and slogans in totally 40 cities)
IV.2.2. Banned audio cassettes	198 (totally in 4 cities)
IV.2.4. Banned and Confiscated Books	23 books
IV.2.5. Banned and Confiscated Journals	25 journals (87 volumes in total)
IV.2.6. Confiscated Newspapers	10 newspapers (37 issues in total)
Total	285
IV.2.7. Closed newspapers and journals	24 (2 journals publications have been stopped and 14 journals and 8 newspapers have been closed totally for 192 days 2 webpage's access were prevented)
IV.2.3. Artistic Activities about which investigations were Launched and hindered	26 (12 concerts, 5 play, 5 movies, 1 festival, 1 musical, 1 dancing and 1 book exhibition)
IV.2.8. Raided newspapers and publishing houses	30 (newspaper and journal's offices, centers for cultural and artistic activities)
IV.3. Decisions of High Council for Radio and Televisions (RTÜK)	
IV.3.1. Televisions and radio channels suspended from broadcasting	11 TV channels and 10 radio channels have been closed for 480 days and they have been given penalty of suspension 10 times.
IV.3.2. Decisions to launch legal procedures	13 (7 radio and 6 television channels)
IV.3.3. Television and radio channels whose defenses were asked	19 (15 television and 4 radio channels)
IV.3.4. Warnings given for radio and television channels	79 (56 television and 23 radio channels)
IV.4. Investigations Launched against people who expressed their thoughts	
In 2003, 155 investigations were launched. 16 investigations were launched against 11 individuals including 3 children were ended by a non action decision. 12 teachers were warned. 1 individual's promotion was prevented for three years. 2 individuals were given punishment that their wages not to be paid.	
IV.5. Trials Launched against people as they expressed their thoughts	
172 trials heard in 2003. 3545 years and 3 months imprisonment's sentences were demanded for 882 individuals.	
Trials Launched in 2003	
Total number of cases and sentences demanded	153 trials launched in 2003 against 851 individuals. 3107 year imprisonment's sentences were demanded.
Trials launched under article 168 of the Turkish Criminal Code	7 (against 23 individuals)
Trials launched under article 169 of the Turkish Criminal Code	40 (against 308 individuals)
Trials launched under article 312 of the Turkish Criminal Code	19 (against 112 individuals)
Trials launched under article 159 of the Turkish Criminal Code	10 (against 32 individuals)
Trials launched under article 6, 7 and 8 of the Anti Terror Law	10 (against 18 individuals)

Total	67 (against 358 individuals)
Pending Trials in 2003	
Total number of pending trials and sentences demanded In 129 pending trials in 2003	592 individuals were demanded 1439 year imprisonments.
Concluded Trials in 2003	
Total number of cases and sentences demanded	In 134 resulted trials in 2003, 232 individuals acquitted. 283 individuals were sentenced to 276 years 4 months 4 day imprisonment and fine's 309 billion 861 million 740 thousand Turkish Liras.
VI. FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION AND DEMONSTRATION	
VI.2. Raided or restricted by security forces Associations and demonstrations	52 (protests, press releases, marches, meetings and demonstrations)
VI.3. Activities Banned	45 (conferences, petitions, meetings, peace tables, letter and signature campaigns...etc)
Investigations Launched	20 (against 220 individuals)
Trials Launched in 2003	In 2003, 32 trials were launched. 855 individuals were demanded 2266 years imprisonment sentence.
Pending Trials	In 14 pending trials, 427 individuals were demanded 560 years and 6 months imprisonment.
Resulted Trials	12 trials were resulted, 131 individuals acquitted. 171 individuals were sentenced to 324 year 6 months imprisonment and fine's 5 billions 12 millions 48 thousands Turkish Liras. 307 imprisonment sentences were postponed.
VII. FREEDOM TO ORGANIZE	
VII.2.1. Raided Political Organizations	46 (HADEP, DEHAP, ÖTP, TKP and CHP)
VII.2.2. Closed Organizations	2 (HADEP and a trade union called "BIS")
VII.2.3. Political Party Closures (A judicial proceedings)	8 (Investigations launched against ANAP, CHP and LDP with closure demands were canceled because lack of evidence. Trials against DEHAP, Socialist Workers Party of Turkey (TSIP), Turkey is happy with disabled people party (Türkiye Özürlüsü ile Mutludur Partisi) and Communist Party of Turkey (TBKP) is still continuing; DEHAP's Sirnak-Kasriktown office was closed by local governorship.)
VII.4.4. Raided Non-Governmental Organizations	12 (6 Associations, 4 Centers for Cultural activities, 1 Centre for artistic activities, 1 training seminar)
VIII. SOCIAL and ECONOMIC RIGHTS	
VIII.2. Dismissals because of political and economic reasons	18671 individuals (50 people were given incomplete redress, 648 individuals warned)
VIII.3. Working Conditions	
Exiled people	736 individuals
VIII.4. Health and Safety at Work	
Deaths	139 deaths
Injuries	599 injuries