



Palestinian Prisoner's Society: Israeli Occupation Moving to Implement Horrific Palestinian Prisoner Execution Law

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Ramallah, occupied Palestine – New details revealed by the Israeli occupation's Channel 13 on Sunday evening with regards to preparations to implement a law authorizing the execution of Palestinian political prisoners is a clear prelude to the imminent approval of the law, and marks an extremely dangerous phase amid the continued severe abuse of thousands of Palestinian political prisoners, the Palestinian Prisoner's Society (PPS) said in a statement on Monday .

The execution law represents the culmination of the ongoing genocide against Palestinian prisoners, reflecting the transformation of every component of the prison system into a space for the practice of torture, starvation, and the killing of prisoners .

The PPS noted that continued efforts to legislate the execution law reflect an escalating level of brutality that has reached an unprecedented threshold. In partnership with specialized institutions, the PPS has issued several statements and papers addressing the continuous historical context of occupation practices, including extrajudicial executions—whether through assassinations, torture, denial of medical care—as well as field execution policies that have reached their peak since the onset of the crime of genocide in occupied Gaza .

The PPS explained that what has been announced regarding the mechanism for implementing the execution law is merely an additional step to entrench an existing crime that has been practiced for decades, by “legalizing” it through laws, legislation, and military orders. The bodies of martyrs that were handed over following the “ceasefire agreement” constituted a living testimony to the executions carried out by occupation forces against hundreds in Gaza, including detainees.

The occupying state, with the support of international powers—chief among them the United States—systematically bypasses the international human rights system and continues to act as an entity above the law and beyond accountability. The genocide in Gaza has demonstrated the failure of the international community and its systematic complicity with the structures of colonialism and murder .

The occupying state has not only killed dozens of prisoners and detainees since the genocide, but is now seeking to entrench the crime of execution through the enactment of a dedicated law.

The PPS stressed that the advancement of the legislative process of the prisoners' execution law to the first reading stage was not surprising to those who follow



prisoners' affairs. Prisons have been transformed over the past two years into an extension of the genocide .

The PPS explained that the Israeli colonial system has, over many decades, practiced policies of slow execution against hundreds of prisoners inside prisons, through systematic tools that led to the martyrdom of dozens of them. These policies have witnessed an unprecedented escalation since the beginning of the war of genocide, making this the most violent period in the history of the Palestinian struggle for freedom, including inside prisons .

The number of martyred Palestinian prisoners since the start of the genocide has surpassed 100 people – the identities of 87 of whom were disclosed by occupation authorities. Dozens of other Palestinians abducted from Gaza were executed and their bodies remain forcibly disappeared .

The PPS pointed out that the prisoners' execution bill is not new, but rather exists within the occupation's legal system, parts of which it inherited from the British occupation of Palestine. However, its application remained restricted and passed through several stages and amendments, based on previous cases in which calls were made to impose the death penalty on Palestinian fighters—calls that were always linked to political trends within the occupying state.

With the rise of the most extreme right-wing Israeli government in the history of the occupation, calls intensified—led by the top minister Itamar Ben-Gvir, members of the Likud and “Yisrael Beiteinu” parties, and a broad spectrum of right-wing Knesset members—to pass the law. The fate of the so-called governing coalition was even tied to its approval of this law, which received direct support from Benjamin Netanyahu, until the execution of prisoners became a central slogan of the occupation government.

The PPS and all partner institutions affirm the set of demands they have repeatedly made:

-Activating universal jurisdiction to prosecute those involved in torture, war crimes, crimes against humanity, and violations against prisoners.

-Suspending diplomatic, military, and economic cooperation with the occupation until it fully complies with international law.

-Ensuring the immediate and unconditional release of all Palestinian political prisoners, including:

- o Ending administrative detention
- o Dismantling the military court system

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- o Conducting independent investigations into all cases of torture and deaths inside prisons
- o Full cooperation with the International Criminal Court, supporting its investigations, and enforcing arrest warrants against those involved in international crimes
- Allowing the International Committee of the Red Cross to visit prisoners and inspect their conditions of detention.