

FACT SHEET: KHUZESTAN, DAY 8 UPDATE



The Protests

- July 21: The prosecutor of Ahvaz, Abbas Hosseini Pouya, called protesters 'rioters' and threatened 'severe retaliation'
- July 22: A total of 28 cities have seen protests in the past 8 days
- July 22: A total of 18 citizens have been arbitrarily detained - local sources put the number at 30 HRA is working to verify
- July 22: The Internet is cut off in most parts of Khuzestan. The interruption of the Internet has created difficulties in gathering information from the region
- July 22: Facebook and Instagram have deleted many videos of the protests in Khuzestan. This is severely disrupting documentation efforts.
- July 22: HRA confirmed the death of an additional protester, Hadi Bahmani, who was 17 years old and was killed on July 20th
- July 22: two protests took place in other provinces in support of Khuzestan including in Bushehr and Kermanshah. In Bushehr protesters chanted "do not be scared, we are together"
- July 22: Haft Tappeh sugarcane workers gathered in support of the protests
- July 22: Seyed Mohammad Akbari Salehi, Police Commander of Khuzestan, continues to direct those under his command to suppress protesters at all costs, including with live ammunition.
- July 22: Eskandar Jamashiani, as the Police Commander of Shadegan city in Khuzestan province, continues to suppress protesters at all costs. Police under his command have fired tear gas and live ammunition that has resulted in the death of one protester in this city, Mustafa Naimavi

