

IRAN

ATENA DAEMI

Jailed for speaking out against the death penalty

Atena Daemi criticised capital punishment on social media, handed out leaflets, and took part in a peaceful protest against the execution of a young woman. The authorities claimed these activities were evidence of criminality, and Atena is now serving a seven-year prison sentence. Her sham trial lasted just 15 minutes.

Since being jailed in November 2016, Atena has been beaten, pepper sprayed and placed in solitary confinement. Earlier this year, she went on hunger strike in protest against her transfer to the notorious Shahr-e Rey prison, a former industrial chicken farm. Atena is now back in the women's ward of Evin prison, but her health has deteriorated alarmingly.

Dozens of human rights activists have been imprisoned in Iran amid an intense crackdown by the authorities. Many others face surveillance, interrogations and drawn-out prosecutions.



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'I will defend the rights of my sisters until my last breath. I would rather die than be a slave of oppression.'

Atena Daemi

SEND A MESSAGE OF SUPPORT AND SOLIDARITY

It is not safe to send letters to Atena or her family, but we will ensure your messages reach them. Alternatively, show your support on Twitter or Instagram.

Atena Daemi, c/o Iran Team
Amnesty International
1 Easton Street
London WC1X 0DW
🐦 @AtenaDaemi
📷 instagram.com/atenadaemi

Language English, Persian or your own language

Suggested message Atena loves nature, spending time outdoors, and travel, so try to include these things in your message.

CAN I

- Send a religious card or message? **No**
- Send an Amnesty card or mention Amnesty? **No**
- Include my name and address? **Yes**

SEND AN APPEAL LETTER

Urge Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif to immediately and unconditionally release Atena Daemi from prison.

Write to

Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif
c/o Permanent Mission of Iran to the United Nations in Geneva
Chemin du Petit-Saconnex 28
1209 Geneva, Switzerland

Salutation Dear Foreign Minister
In your letter call for

- The immediate, unconditional release of Atena Daemi as she has been imprisoned solely for her peaceful human rights activities, including her work to end the death penalty
- Immediate and ongoing access to any adequate specialised medical care she needs outside prison.

When possible send letters on their own, or in batches of no more than 20, as large packages are often rejected by the Iranian authorities.

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EVERY MESSAGE COUNTS Together we can help bring Atena home

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