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Introduction:

Syrian Network for Human Rights is an independent of any government, political ideology, depends in documenting incidents on more than 100 members deployed in all of the Syrian provinces, in addition to direct contacts with cooperative Syrian activists to document human rights violations.

SNHR's Methodology: We strive to apply very accurate criteria and standards of documentation that amount to the international standards.

SNHR is a prime dependable hand in documenting deaths of Syrian conflicts in the United Nations, as it is a major source for human rights violations and victims affected by the ongoing conflicts in Syria for many Arab and International stations and news agencies.

Fadel Abdulghany: is SNHR's founder, chairman, and the main spokesman.

Important disclaimer:

This statistic are differ from the monthly reports issued by the network, because of reporting new death incidents after the expiry of the month, where the monthly report usually issues on the first day of the following month.

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First: Victims killed by government forces

41812 victims were killed by government forces in 2013, distributed as follows:

9118 Armed fighters

34949 civilians including more than 4344 children, 2921 ladies and 1609 victims were tortured to death.



The proportion of death civilians is 79% of the victim's toll, while the fighter's proportion is 11%. The proportion of killed ladies and children is 17% of the total victims; this is a very high figure and blatant evidence of deliberate targeting civilians by government forces.

Second: Victims killed by Armed groups

At least 362 civilians including 42 children and 29 ladies killed by different armed groups whether were affiliated to the opposition's organization or not as the Islamic state of Iraq and Levant.

The victims were killed during shelling on cities and towns loyal to the Syrian government, most of them were killed in Syrian Coast Operation.

Monthly Distribution of the Victims that killed by Government Forces:

January's Death toll: very high rate of the children victims:

Documenting the kill of 3978 Syrian citizens with 149 as a daily average, and 6 people in an hour, including 3541 civilians and 437 FSA.

Among the 3541 civilians, there were 487 children; 33 of them were infants.

This month was distinguished with the high rate of children victims, with the average of 16 children a day.

318 ladies

93 under torture

February's Death toll

Documenting the kill of 3819 Syrian citizens with 144 as a daily average, and 6 people in an hour, including 3297 civilians and 522 FSA.

Among the 3541 civilians, there were 445 children; 18 of them were infants, with the average of 14 children a day.

256 ladies

63 under torture

March's Death toll: Highest rate of victims:

Documenting the kill of 4471 Syrian; including 3790 civilians and 681 FSA.

Among the 3790 civilians, there were 354 children

219 ladies

123 under torture

April's Death toll

Documenting the kill of 4033 Syrian; including 2951 civilians and 1082 Armed Rebels.

Among the 2951 civilians, there were 396 children; with the average of 13 children a day, the proportion of the killed children is 11% of the death toll, which is a very high rate and strict evidence of the systematic and deliberate targeting of civilians by government forces.

247 ladies; the proportion of killed women is 7%, which is a very high rate and strict evidence of the systematic and deliberate targeting of civilians by government forces

176 tortured to death, with an average of 6 victims a day tortured to death in formal and informal detention centers.

May's Death toll: Highest rate of the women victims

Documenting the kill of 3771 Syrian; including 2997 civilians and 774 Armed Rebels.

Among the 2997 civilians, there were:

393 children.

335 ladies; the highest rate of the women killed with an average of 11 women a day.

134 under torture.

June's Death toll: Highest rate of tortured to death victims

Documenting the kill of 3276 Syrian; including 2311 civilians and 965 Armed Rebels.

Among the 3267 civilians, there were:

307 children.

214 ladies.

198 under torture including 4 children and 2 ladies.

July's Death toll:

Documenting the kill of 3174 Syrian; including 2391 civilians and 781 Armed Rebels.

Among the 2391 civilians, there were:

325 children.

192 ladies.

159 under torture including 1 child and 1 lady.

The daily average of killing this month is 100 people a day, 5 people an hour.

August' Death toll:

Documenting the kill of 3411 Syrian; including 2395 civilians and 1016 Armed Rebels.

Among the 2395 civilians, there were:

336 children.

238 ladies.

186 under torture.

The daily average of killing this month is 110 people a day, 4 people an hour.

September's Death toll:

Documenting the kill of 2962 Syrian; including 2217 civilians and 792 Armed Rebels.

Among the 2217 civilians, there were:

264 children.

187 ladies.

128 under torture including 1 child and 1 lady.

The daily average of killing this month is 116 people a day, 4 people an hour.

October's Death toll:

Documenting the kill of 3125 Syrian; including 2267 civilians and 858 Armed Rebels.

Among the civilians, there were:

307 children.

181 ladies.

122 under torture, including 2 media activist one of them was child (under the age of 18).

November's Death toll:

Documenting the kill of 2865 Syrian; including 2202 civilians and 663 Armed Rebels.

Among the civilians, there were:

227 children.

194 ladies.

131 under torture, including 2 media activist one of them was child (under the age of 18).

in November: the civilian casualties exceeded 100.000 victims, including more than 12.000 children and 11.000 women.

December's Death toll to 30/12/2013, the highest month of children victims, because shelling Aleppo governorate by barrel bombs.

Documenting the kill of 3127 Syrian; including 2582 civilians and 545 Armed Rebels.

Among the civilians, there were:

553 children.

267 ladies.

96 under torture.

Legal conclusions:

- SNHR assured without any doubt on the systematic and widespread methodology of Syrian government in targeting and killing civilians, committing crimes against humanity.

Those crimes were committed under non-international armed conflict, so its consider war crimes.

- Government Forces by the systematic and deliberate targeting of civilians, and via indiscriminate attacks violated Previsions of Human Rights International Law which protect the right of life

Recommendations:

Syrian Governments

1- Immediately stop all human rights' violations.

2- Respect international obligations of protection of civilians in time of war, and respect for rules of international humanitarian law and international human rights law

Lebanese and Iraqi Governments

The Lebanese and Iraqi Governments should control their borders and to the Government of Lebanon must take the necessary measures to prevent Hezbollah elements of attacking and occupied Syrian territory and Shell Syrian territory from Lebanese territory, stop facilitating logistical supplies to Syria Government's Armed forces.

International Commission of Inquiry:

The International Commission of inquiry must live up to the expected level and give an accurate description of violations committed by the Syrian Government's Armed Forces against the Syrian people

Human Rights Council:

- 1- Demand the Security Council and the concerned international institutions to hold their responsibilities of what's happening for the Syrian People of killing, rape, displacement, and arrested
- 2- Pay more and serious attentions of torturing death cases which considered as the worst type of crimes at all
- 3- Pressure on the Syrian Government Troops to stop torturing and killing and release all kidnapped and arrested
- 4- Hold alias and supporters of the Syrian Government Troops: Russia, Iran and China, the moral and physical responsibilities for what's happening to the Syrian people.

Security Council:

- 1- Decision to refer all the criminals and the involved to ICC
- 2- Warn the Syrian Government Troops of the repercussions of using brutal methods on the stability of civil peace and coexistence between the people of the same society
- 3- Insert Syrian National Army, and Shabiha troops loyal to Syrian Government's armed troops, and Lebanese Hezbollah on the international terror list

Arab League:

- 1- Demand Human Right Council and United Nations to give a serious and right attention of stop daily killing
- 2- Political and diplomatic pressure on the Syrian Government Troops's main allies-Russia, Iran and China -to prevent them from continuous providing cover, and international and political protection for all the crimes committed against the Syrian people and hold them moral and physical responsibility for all the excesses of the Syrian Government Troops.
- 3- Serious attention of this case and give it high priority, and try to take care of victim families psychologically and materially and educationally.