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Afghan Women Continue to Struggle for Their Rights

- Afghan Women staged a protest in St. Cloud on March 11th.
- United Nations Secretary-General speaks on human rights violations against women in Afghanistan, Sudan, and Palestine.
- Head of UN Women's Department calls to codify Gender Apartheid as a crime against humanity.



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Protest in Minnesota

The voice of Afghan women should be heard.

Several Afghan women held a demonstration in Saint Cloud, MN, last Saturday. The participants demanded that the problems of women in Afghanistan be heard and said that women's rights should be given to them.

When the Taliban came to power in 2021, women were deprived of their most basic rights, particularly their rights to education and employment. Currently, the Taliban does not have any women in its cabinet, and has removed the Ministry of Women's Affairs from the government structure. In response, women organized large-scale demonstrations in Kabul and some provinces in Afghanistan, but were met with severe repression by the Taliban. During the last two years, the Taliban arrested and imprisoned many women protestors and organizers.

The bad situation of women inside Afghanistan has caused several women's rights activists to hold demonstrations outside the country.

Halima Azadmanesh, one of the organizers of the protest in Saint Cloud, says that the Taliban has removed women from all the structures of Afghan government institutions. Ms. Azadmanesh added that all women abroad should try their best to raise women's voices. She emphasized that education and work are women's rights and the Taliban must recognize them as such. Despite protests in various cities around the world, the Taliban have not yet shown any sign of changing its policies towards women. Many activists and human rights groups believe that the pressure of the international community and organizations that support women's rights will force the Taliban to recognize them.

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Guterres: Taliban Government Has Issued 50 Decrees Aimed At Suppressing Women's Rights In Afghanistan

On Monday, March 11th, United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, in a speech to the 68th meeting of the Commission on the Legal Dignity of Women, mentioned Afghanistan, stating that the Taliban had issued more than 50 decrees, all of which aimed to suppress women's rights in Afghanistan. Guterres also emphasized the importance of basic measures to defend women's rights, which he said are now in danger in Afghanistan and across the globe.

After taking control of Afghanistan, the Taliban have banned women and girls from their most basic rights, including going to school for girls above the sixth grad., prohibition of working in governmental and non-governmental institutions, and not entering parks and stadiums are some examples of these discriminatory policies. The actions of the Taliban against the work, education, and social activities of women and girls have raised grave concerns and it is said that these factors have contributed to the lack of formal recognition of the Taliban government.

Afghanistan Is Experiencing The Most Serious Crisis Of Women's Rights In The World At This Time.

Sima Bahous, the head of the United Nations Women's Department, said that Afghanistan is experiencing a serious crisis of women's rights. Bahous made these statements on Tuesday, March 13, on the sidelines of the 68th Commission on the Status of Women in the United Nations meeting, which was held under the name "Crime against humanity in Afghanistan from a Gender Perspective". According to Bahous, space should be open for women's decision-making. The UN Commission on the Status of Women also wrote in a statement that this meeting was an urgent call for coordinated action by the international community to establish "gender apartheid" as a crime against international legal frameworks.

Upcoming Events

From ACS and Our Partners

Eid al Fitr

Sunday April 14th

Time and Location TBD

Mark your calendars for a family Eid al Fitr celebration hosted by Afghan Cultural Society. **Stay tuned for location and registration details.**

TC World Refugee Day

Thursday, June 22th

10:30 AM - 5 PM

Centennial Park, Brooklyn Center

“Prepare to be inspired by the stories of refugees who have overcome incredible challenges and made a positive impact in our community. The event will feature a variety of activities, including cultural performances, art exhibitions, and delicious international cuisine.”

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