

Mesopotamia Women Journalists Platform 2018 Report on Violations of Rights Against Women Journalists Press Summary

As the Mesopotamia Women Journalists Platform, we published our 2018 Report on Violations of Rights Against Women Journalists.

One of the most notable events in 2018, when the penalties for publications, threats to journalists, detentions and arrests continued to increase, were the arrests of the employees of Gün Publishing House and Özgürlükçü Demokrasi Newspaper to which trustees were assigned to, and the fact that the only daily Kurdish newspaper, Welat, could not find a printing house to go to print. Another prohibition was that journalists were not allowed in courtrooms in cases where the elected Kurdish politicians were prosecuted.

As media and press workers, we have to see our share in the growing fear in the society and the society's alienation from its own values. It is not possible for us to accept the masculine language used in media that legitimizes violence, ignores women, and seeks reasons to justify the abuse, rape and massacres experienced by women.

According to the data compiled by the Mesopotamia Women Journalists Platform throughout 2018;

Women Journalists Arrested in 2018 are as follows:

"*Seda Taşkın

* Özlem Seyhan

*Kibriye Evren

*Reyhan Hacıoğlu

*Hicran Ürün

*Pınar Tarlak

*Ece Sevim Öztürk

*Pınar Gayıp

*Semiha Şahin

*Tuba Bulut

*Reyhan Çapan

*Serpil Ünal

*Songül Yücel

All Imprisoned Women Journalists

1. Leyla Yıldız, Özgürlükçü Demokrasi Newspaper employee

2. Aslı Ceren Aslan, Özgür Gelecek editor-in-chief

3. Ayşe Nazlı Ilıcak, Yarına Bakış Newspaper writer

4. Burçin Dokgöz, Çorum former Zaman ve Cihan reporter

5. Ceren Taşkın, Hatay'ın Sesi

6. Gurbet Çakar, Hevi Women's Journal

7. Hanım Büşra Erdal, former Zaman reporter and columnist

8. Hatice Duman, owner and editor-in-chief of Atılım newspaper

9. Hicran Ürün, Özgürlükçü Demokrasi editor

10. İsmnaz Temel, ETHA editor

11. Meltem Oktay, DİHA

12. Mizgin Çay, Radio Karacadağ

13. Pınar Gayıp, ETHA reporter

14. Reyhan Çapan, Özgür Gündem editor-in-chief

15. Reyhan Hacıoğlu, Özgürlükçü Demokrasi editor

16. Seda Taşkın, Mezopotamya Ajansı reporter

17. Semiha Mete, Özgürlükçü Demokrasi

18. Semiha Şahin, ETHA editor

19. Zehra Doğan, Jinha editor

20. Tuba Bulut ,yeni yaşam newspaper

21. Kibriye Evren, JinNews editor

22. Özlem Seyhan, Azadiya Welat editor

23. Neval Aydın,Azadiya Welat employee

24. Sibel Mustafaoglu, Azadiya Welat employee

25. Ayşenur Parıldak, Zaman gazetesi reporter

Violations of Rights Experienced by Women Journalists

*13 Women Journalists Arrested.

*6 Female Journalists were released.

*12 Female journalists were sentenced.

*3 Journalists were tried and sentenced to prison for a total of 6 cases.

*58 The women journalists were put on trial.

*2 Female Journalists were acquitted.

*40 Women Journalists were detained.

*2 Female Journalists were forced to spying on their friends.

*2 Female Journalists were threatened on social media and by phone.

*The head office of Jin News Women's News Agency was raided by the police, no report was kept.

Newly Established Women's Media Outlets

*On March 8, Jin TV, which only has women employees and broadcasts with a focus on women, was established.

*Woman TV was founded.