Family Demands Urgent Medical Care for Detainee

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The family of detainee Mahmood al-Aradi said that he is facing a growing risk of losing his eyesight due to the denial of adequate medical treatment in Jau Prison. The family called on authorities to seriously look into his case because it cannot be delayed.

Al-Aradi is 21 years old and was detained over charges of illegal assembly and rioting last year.

His family said that both his physical and mental health are deteriorating after being neglected and denied adequate medical care. Since February, he has suffered from severe dehydration in his eyes which has caused his eyelashes to fall out.

The family said that they had booked him an appointment but he wasn't taken to the hospital to be seen by the specialist, especially after Jau Prison events in March.

They added that his eye bandage was not changed for approximately two months, despite the dirt that accumulated inside it. The family demanded from the concerned security bodies to act immediately to save Mahmood from permanent blindness.