

## Weekly Report – 29 June to 6 July

### Arrests:

Last week, security forces [arrested](#) 52 individuals, including 5 children.

The authorities released female detainee Nafeesa al-Asfoor who was sentenced to 5 years in prison under the terrorism law. Nafeesa served more than 2 years of her sentence. While Rihanna al-Mosawi, who was convicted and sentenced in the same case, remains in prison.

Also, Dr. Saeed al-Semaheji was released after serving his one year sentence for insulting the king.

### Trials:

Bahraini criminal and appeals courts altered previously upheld convictions and sentenced 27 individuals to 223 years in prison and postponed the trials of 30 individuals.

Al Wefaq Society's General-Secretary Political Assistant, Khalil Marzooq, was [summoned](#) by the Budaiya police station for interrogation over incitement of hatred against the regime and insulting the Ministry of Interior in a gathering in Duraz on 27 June. Similarly, the authorities summoned Shaikh Isa Eid, who is the Karzkan Mosque Imam, for interrogation over criticizing the Jaffari Endowment in one of his speeches.

On 2 July 2015, Majeed Milad, who is a member in Al Wefaq's Secretariat Council, was [summoned](#) and interrogated over charges of incitement of hatred and non-compliance to the law. The Public Prosecution remanded him for 7 days pending investigation.

The public prosecution [requested](#) that the court toughen the sentence against Al Wefaq's General-Secretary, Shaikh Ali Salman. It rejected the court order to acquit Salman of the charge of overthrowing the regime. Salman was sentenced to four years in prison for incitement of hatred and non-compliance to the law, as well as insulting the Ministry of Interior, while the court acquitted him from overthrowing the regime.

### Protests:

Dozens of protests and sit-ins took place in different areas of Bahrain. Security forces reportedly used excessive force and assaulted several protesters.



On 3 July, after Friday's prayers in Duraz, dozens of people [protested](#) the detention of Shaikh Ali Salman, demanding his release.

**Collective Punishment/ Use of Force:**

Security forces continue the use of force and excessive use of tear gas in residential areas while suppressing peaceful protest. Several shotgun injuries were reported.



[Shotgun injuries to Bilad al-Qadeem](#)



[Karbabad: Targeting residential areas with tear gas](#)

**Detainees:**

Mahmood al-Aradi, 21 years old, could [lose](#) his eyesight due to denial of adequate medical care in Jau Prison. His family said that his health and mental conditions are deteriorating. He is suffering from severe dehydration in both his eyes which has caused his eyelashes to fall out. The family made an appointment, but the authorities did not take him to the hospital. The family added that the bandage on Mahmood's eyes was not changed for approximately 2 months.



Mahmood al-Aradi

**Others:**

The Minister of Justice [confirmed](#) that the ministry is monitoring speeches at mosques and places of worships to take necessary measures against anyone who incites hatred and targets the community's unity.

The King [issued](#) a decree establishing a body to look into the cases of stateless individuals and those who have more than one nationality.