

(Video) Iran Regime's Failed Anniversary Carnival Showed Its Lack of Legitimacy

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PARIS, FRANCE, February 21, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In an article, the Foreign Affairs Committee of [the National Council of Resistance of Iran \(NCRI\)](#) wrote that throughout history, all dictators have tried to legitimize their rule by amassing crowds, whether by intimidation or inducements. But Iran's ruling theocracy and its ridiculous "anniversary carnival" outdid actions taken by dictators like Hitler, Mussolini, and Franco.



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This hodgepodge of motorcycles and cars driving in streets, causing gridlock, and annoying ordinary Iranians was meant to cover up the meager participation in the government-organized event.

Reports by the Iranian opposition network from over 200 cities across Iran indicate scant participation in the regimes' anniversary. In Tehran suggest that a few dozen of the mullahs' supporters were at Imam Hossein Square, where the regime used to rally its forces before starting the march. Aerial photos from Tehran's Azadi square and other main gathering points in different cities Showed a sparse crowd.

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The regime claimed it had reached a sufficient level of vaccination days before its anniversary to justify holding gatherings as the country goes through the sixth wave of coronavirus. Khamenei's ban on globally recognized vaccines and the government's systematic cover-up over the Covid-19 crisis has caused its death toll to surpass half a million.



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When you see daily protests by people from all walks of life, it is not difficult to deduce their satisfaction by assessing their level of participation in marches. Meanwhile, [the regime's carnivals] are not a sign of satisfaction.

Everyone can see these types of rallies are held with little participation. Even 'elections' are held with low percentages of participation, coupled with protests, he added.

Iran's state TV and other state-run media lost no opportunity to air short films about Khomeini, trying to whitewash his criminal record. Meanwhile, Iranians took to social media to express their hatred toward the founder of the ruling theocracy by creating funny short videos about his arrival and speeches.

In this regard, Khomeini's grandson Hassan Khomeini acknowledged on February 10, "Today Imam Khomeini is the target of the enemies attack. He is the system's identity, and by targeting him, [people] are targeting the system's legitimacy."

On Thursday, videos from Iran showed people shouting anti-regime slogans from their windows at night. "Death to Khamenei" "Damn with Khomeini," chants were broadcast by loudspeakers in the bazaar in Mashhad on Thursday and in several other cities, as the Iranian opposition disrupted the PA system.

The main speaker of the regime's anniversary of usurping power in Tehran was Ebrahim Raisi, who praised the "epic presence of people," while footage from state TV showed very few people



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Raisi spoke of economic independence amid increasing warnings by regime officials and state media about the country's deep financial crisis and people's possible reaction.

The anniversary coincided with Friday prayers, and many regime officials acknowledged the domestic and international crises engulfing the regime and how people are getting connected to the opposition.

We observe some economic problems. The global arrogance and the enemy have imposed a mediatic war on us. We are facing many challenges.

The reason we cannot resolve these challenges is our distance with the [regime's], Mohammad Baqer Qalibaf, the Parliament Speaker, said in Mashhad, acknowledging the regime's domestic crises.

The enemy has focused on weakening the system's foundations and targeting people's trust in the system. They intend to alienate people from the [regime], Imam Khomeini, and officials by highlighting the economic crisis, he added, according to Iran's state TV.

We Should notice that we are at war. The enemy is lurking and plotting daily. One of the enemy's missions is to spread despair in the public and hatred [toward the regime].

People should pay attention and prevent the enemy from misusing their righteous economic and social demands and protests," Hassan Alidadi, Khamenei's representative in Kerman, said while referring to daily social protests during an interview with Iran's state TV, February 11, 2022.

Iran's economic crunch, caused by the regime's corruption, mismanagement, and ineptitude, has



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