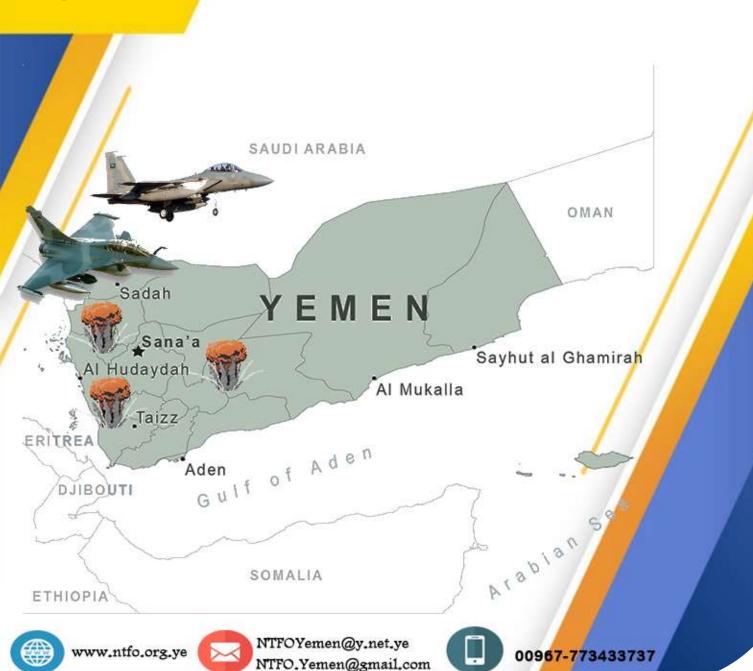
#### REPUBLIC OF YEMEN

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# The Monthly Report on the General Situation in the Republic of Yemen





#### POLITICAL PREFACE

- 1. On the land of Arabia Felix, with its total area exceeding (500,000 km2) and its islands scattered in the surrounding seas, Yemen is subjected to daily attacks with air raids by the War Coalition led by the US, KSA, UK and UAE, who violate sovereignty through direct presence on the ground in areas that have not yet been liberated. This is accompanied by a sea, land and air blockade imposed on tens of millions of people, which has exacerbated the humanitarian situation making it the worst in the world, according to UN reports. It is a comprehensive blockade on all means of life, as it is focused on fuel that operates all aspects of life, hospitals, and so on.
- 2. All this is done through US and UK warships, with the participation of other Western countries paid by Saudi Arabia, until the Yemeni people become under the shadow of death through either an air strike or a strict blockade on everything. All of this is happening in full view of the UN and its organizations which stand idle and silenced with the Black Gold (i.e. Oil) that they suckle from Saudi Arabia and the UAE as a price for this inhuman, immoral and illegal complicity towards a defenseless people who once arose in the revolution of 21 September 2014, longing passionately to regain its sovereignty, independence and dignity that were violated by those war countries, looking forward to establishing equal international relationships with all countries based on respect for the UN charters that prohibit interference in the affairs of others.
- 3. This shameful silence of the UN and the International Community goes hand-in-hand with paid media hype, draped in a humanitarian dress, over any city or region set free from the grip of oppression, humiliation, occupation and the disgraceful vandalism of terrorism made in the un-liberated areas. This becomes clear in the battle of Sana'a Government, its army, popular committees, and tribes, for completing liberation of Marib Governorate, which has become a den for the terrorist groups protected by the military camps and wars planes of those countries.
- 4. This noise and immoral media hype of the international community, which overlooks tens of thousands of victims by the War Coalition raids and blockade on all Yemeni people, intends to impede the liberation of the entire homeland from any foreign presence and is constantly seeking to back the terrorist groups that are being chased and cleansed by Sana'a Government.

#### ECONOMIC SITUATION

- 5. The deterioration of the economic situation has severely exacerbated the humanitarian situation due to the continuation of the countries of War Coalition against Yemen, led by the US, KSA and UAE, targeting the economic infrastructure, imposing arbitrary restrictions, and taking other measures that led to the deterioration of the economic situation. The most notable of these measures is the lack of seriousness in the part of War Coalition countries and their mercenaries to pay the salaries of public service employees, which have been suspended since the transfer of CBY administration from the Capital, Sana'a, to Aden governorate in September 2016. This has resulted in the collapse of many families, and kept Yemen suffering from an unprecedented severe humanitarian disaster ever witnessed in history.
- 6. The so-called legitimate government in the southern provinces, backed by the countries of War Coalition against Yemen, failed to manage state resources and to compact the widely spread corruption; meanwhile, it adopted an illegal economic policy by printing new banknotes without a legal cover. In addition, the influence of armed groups supported by the countries of War Coalition is growing, as they share revenues among themselves. Consequently, the living conditions have been worsened, services have been deteriorated, and the exchange rate in those governorates has increased, which led to the devaluation of the national currency.
- 7. The Yemeni Confederation of Labor Unions (YCLU) calls on the so-called legitimate government, supported by the countries of War Coalition, to address and solve the issue of disbursing public sector employees' salaries, especially in the governorates run by the National Salvation Government in Sana'a. It also calls for moving wages in proportion to the requirements of living in accordance with Stockholm Agreement, as well as settling the problems of retirees, addressing the conditions of displaced workers, and disbursing their salaries.
- 8. The value of Yemeni Riyal against the US dollar keeps on deteriorating in the southern region of Yemen, controlled by the KSA-UAE occupation, where the exchange rate has reached almost 900 YR for the US dollar. This was soon reflected on the prices of foodstuff. On the contrary, the Yemeni Riyal maintained a state of stability in the areas



- controlled by the National Salvation Government in Sana'a, as the dollar rate there have not exceeded the limits of 600 rivals against the US dollar.
- 9. The fuel supply situation in Yemen in general and the areas under the control of the National Salvation Government in particular is still suffering from a severe shortage of oil supplies, as the War Coalition countries continue to detain oil derivatives ships. Consequently, many oil derivatives ships had to return back to their places of departure without unloading their cargo at the port of Hodeidah, despite obtaining pass permits from the United Nations Verification and Inspection Mechanism (UNVIM). This has resulted in the rise of prices and the collapse of the basic service sectors.
- 10. The War Coalition countries, led by the US, KSA and UAE, continue to detain more than 5 ships loaded with oil derivatives, despite completing all the procedures of inspection through the United Nations Verification and Inspection Mechanism in Djibouti (UNVIM) and obtaining UN pass permits to dock at the port of Hodeidah. Some of these ships have been detained for several months and others for more than one year and a half. However, the countries of the war coalition deliberately keep on detaining and preventing them from entering the port of Hodeidah.

### Statistics of the economic and agricultural establishments targeted by the Saudi-led coalition air strikes in various governorates during the month of (April 2021)

Entounuigo	Size of damage			Notes				
Enterprise	Destroyed	Damaged	Total	Notes				
Tank and Water Pumps	13	39	52	Including wells, pumps, reservoirs, water networks and irrigation projects				
Agricultural Fields	57	91	148	Including all types of farms as well as agricultural nurseries and equipment				
Markets	2		2					
Commercial Facilities	8	34	42					
Sea Ports	1		1					
Fuel Trucks	9	2	11					
Food Warehouses	10		10					
Poultry Farms	1		1					
Cattle	27		27					

#### **HUMANITARIAN SITUATION**

#### **Health Sector:**

11. The health situation in Yemen continues to deteriorate as a result of the on-going war and blockade on Yemen by the countries of the War Coalition led by the US, KSA and UAE, and its imposed arbitrary restrictions, by detaining different oil derivatives ships that support all service sectors, especially the health sector. As a result, hospitals and health centers are threatened with closure at any moment.

#### **Decent Means of Livelihood**

- 12. The northern governorates have witnessed a stifling fuel crisis since last year, and it has intensified severely since the beginning of this year. This has caused the price of fuel to increase exponentially, leading to a rise in food and medicines prices. Consequently, a number of families have become unable to purchase many of the basic needs for survival, especially household gas.
- 13. In its commentary, the World Food Program (WFP) confirmed the increasing prices in Yemen, which reached 200%. Notably, the program provides assistance to a number of families with an amount of 6,500 YR. for each, which is a small amount that is not sufficient to meet the needs of these families due to the high prices. WFP was supposed to raise the amounts given to families by 400% to cover their needs.

#### The Tragedies of Prisoners

14. The countries of War Coalition against Yemen, led by the US, Saudi Arabia and the UAE, refused to enter into a comprehensive prisoner exchange agreement, and set obstacles on the way of implementing the UN-sponsored agreements regarding this humanitarian file. The United Nations and its organizations have been incapable to address this humanitarian issue once and for all or to submit proposals that would lead to a convergence of views, save the lives of thousands of prisoners, and reunite them with their families.



#### **Cluster Bombs:**

15. While the world celebrates Earth Day, the Yemeni lands lack security due to the spread of various types of cluster bombs used by the War Coalition countries. From the beginning of war on Yemen until April 2021, the lands and farms of citizens remained threatened and unsafe as a result of the cluster bombs dropped by the warplanes of the War Coalition countries, led by the US, Saudi Arabia and the UAE, for more than six years. The National Salvation Government in Sana'a is unable to remove these internationally outlawed cluster bombs as the War Coalition countries have prevented technical devices and equipment from reaching the port of Hodeidah.

#### **FSO SAFER Tanker:**

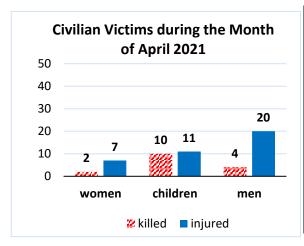
- 16. Yemen Petroleum Company (YPC), affiliated to the National Salvation Government in Sana'a, has warned of the possibility of an environmental and economic disaster, in case there is an oil spill from Safer Tanker, the tank's load explodes, or even sinks, as the ship is eroding and damaged, due to the delay of its maintenance or repair process against weather, water and other factors. This has made it an environmental, economic time bomb and a potential disaster. Reports this year indicate that there is an oil spill from the tank, and water leaks into the ship's engine room.
- 17. The official authorities of the National Salvation Government assert that the failure to take prompt measures without delay to rescue the ship or unload it, will have severe consequences extending for decades, spoiling the environment of the Red Sea and decimating the health and livelihood of millions living in countries along its coasts. In fact, damage may reach up to the Suez Canal. The YPC indicates the emergence of potentially catastrophic consequences, if FSO Safer Tanker is not repaired and maintained, and the most prominent of these consequences are as follows:
  - The death of more than 900 species of fish in the Red Sea, threatening the lives of millions of citizens who depend on fishing as a source of livelihood for them and their families.
  - More than 155 islands will lose biodiversity, including Kamaran Island, which is rich in endangered mangroves.
  - More than 300 species of corals will be damaged and will lead to the loss of micro-plankton and coralline algae.
  - The death of more than 300 species of Yemeni coastal birds and migratory birds.
  - Water, air and food will be polluted in many areas adjacent to the Red Sea.
  - The explosion of FSO Safer Tanker or spill of its stocks will lead to more traffic jams in Bab al-Mandab Strait and
    will heavily impact trade-shipping routes in the Red Sea, many times worse than the consequences of the accident
    of the ship "Ever Given" aground.
  - The explosion or collapse of FSO Safer Tanker will also lead to the closure of the port of Hodeidah, which is the gateway to 90% of the food and medicine supplies, which benefit over 85% of the population in the governorates controlled by the National Salvation Government in Sana'a.

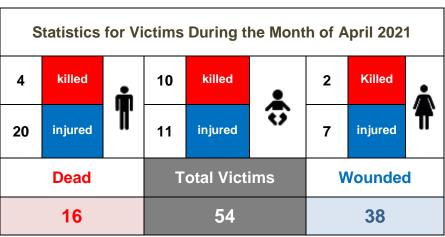
#### CRIMES AND VIOLATIONS

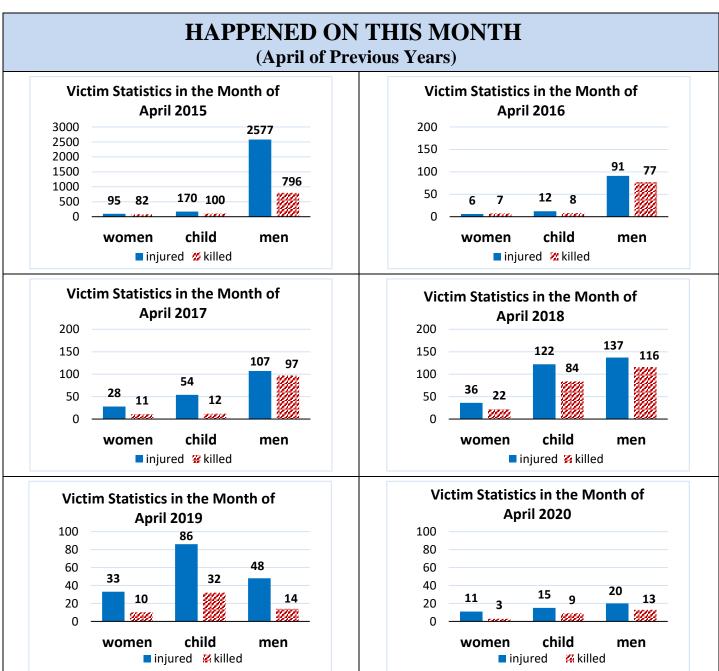
- 18. The countries of War Coalition against Yemen, led by the US, KSA and UAE, continued deliberately to launch air strikes, direct artillery shells and indiscriminate attacks on populated areas, vital civilian places, and facilities in various governorates of the Republic. This resulted in the demolition of the civilian homes and vital civil facilities, leading to some casualties including children and women.
- 19. The War Coalition countries, through their armed groups in Hodeidah and its surrounding areas, keep on violating Stockholm Agreement with their indiscriminate attacks on citizens' homes in Hodeidah and its various districts, in plain view of the United Nations observers (the UN envoys in Hodeidah who are affiliated to the UN Secretary-General's Envoy in Hodeidah) without taking the necessary actions against them. The countries of War Coalition have intensified the warplanes flights and direct targeting of many vital facilities with air strikes and shelling of homes with mortars and heavy weapons in the various districts of Hodeidah Governorate.
- 20. The countries of War Coalition, led by the US, KSA, UAE and their mercenaries, torture prisoners of the army and popular committees with various methods of torture, leading to the death of a number of them inside prisons. Moreover, the War Coalition countries and their mercenaries practice immoral and inhuman treatment against prisoners inside the prisons and detention centers.



#### **STATISTICS**



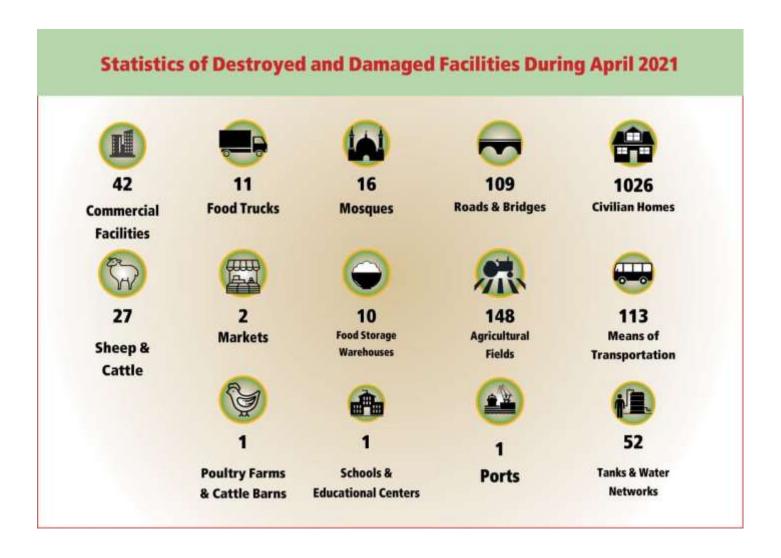






## Statistics of the number of air raids and missile and artillery bombing launched by the Saudi-led Coalition this month in various provinces (April 2021)

Governorate	Air Raid	Rocket Bombing	Artillery Bombing	Cluster Bombs	Sound Bombs	Light Bombs	Drone	Warships	Total Number
al Bayda	27								27
Al-Jawf	51								51
Hodeida	8	4,822	6,278	1			113		11,222
Al-Dhala'e		32							32
Taiz		65							65
Hajjah	17	57	100						174
Saada	73	400	775	1					1,249
Sana'a				1					1
Marib	624								624
TOTAL	800	5,376	7,153	3	0	0	113	0	13,445





#### STORY OF THE MONTH

(The Last Stop ...!)

The violent attack launched by the Saudi-led coalition forces on the city of Hodeidah every now and then has led to waves of population internal displacement to Amran governorate.

Fatima and her husband, who works as a fisherman in the Red Sea, were among the IDPs who sought refuge in Dahadh Refugee Camp in Amran governorate. They fled due to the fighting and the bombing of the city. Fatima always recalls memories of the displacement journey, which lasted for more than 12 continuous hours, for a distance of 300 km between Hodeidah and Amran governorates. She recalls the horror she had experienced when she heard the sounds of combat operations approaching her home. The couple currently lives in a modest tent on the far edge of the camp, where there is no sea, which they used to live beside throughout their lives.

Fatima and her husband were living together in Hodeidah until military operations broke out in the city in June 2018, when the Saudi and UAE-led War Coalition forces attacked the city and the Saudi coalition warplanes bombed heavily to control the city of Hodeidah.

She was very worried about her husband's life, as she had heard stories of fishermen being targeted and killed in July.

The camp in which they live in lacks the most basic necessities of life. There is a severe shortage of household gas. It is sometimes difficult to find clean water for drinking and cooking, let alone other needs.

"It's safer here, even if I don't have my own house; and even if it's cold in the winter," says Fatima. "I hope I can go back to my home in Hodeidah."