

Labour Party Pakistan activist kidnapped in Baluchistan

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Labour Party Pakistan Baluchistan Committee member Dr. Iftikhar Shah is kidnapped in Qila Saif Ullah in Baluchistan. He was coming back from Zhob to Qila Saif Ullah on Thursday night along three others. He was working as provincial coordinator of an NGO Called Mercy Corps. It is been reported in the press that some armed men intercepted them in Sheengai area and all the four aid workers were taken to some unknown place. The other three are project director Dr. Asif Abbas, assistant programme officer Babrak Suleman and driver Habibullah.

LPP Baluchistan general secretary Aziz Baluch has condemned the kidnapping of social sector and political workers and has announced demonstrations in several districts of Baluchistan including Quetta on 21 February. He said that those kidnapping social workers are not helping the cause of national struggle. Labour Party Pakistan Baluchistan has been in the forefront of struggle for national rights of Baluch people. Now one of its main leaders is kidnapped along three other social sector workers.

In a message on the website of Mercy Corps (www.mercycorps.org), the organization has confirmed the kidnapping in the following lines, "We confirm that 4 Pakistani national staff is missing as of 4 pm local time on Thursday. We have no further comment at this time".

Labour Party Pakistan general secretary Nisar Shah and spokesperson Farooq Tariq has condemned the kidnapping and has appealed to the kidnappers to release the innocent social welfare workers. It has demanded from the government to take all necessary actions to recover the kidnapped persons. LPP will announce a nationwide campaign for the release of the four.

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