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Local police mercilessly kill civilian in Ghazni

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Residents of Andar district of southern Ghazni province on Monday accused Afghan Local Police (ALP) personnel of what they said mercilessly killing a civilian.

The residents, who arrived in Ghazni City, the provincial capital, gathered in front of the Governor's House.

Khan Ali, brother of the slain person, told Pajhwok Afghan News his brother had been mercilessly killed by local police.

“My brother Shah Wali worked on a drilling machine. The local police arrested him in Kajri area. First he was beaten, then his hands were cut off and finally crushed beneath a tank,” he said, urging the government to arrest the killers and punish them.

Another resident, Mohammad Khan, told Pajhwok Afghan News the local police killed Shah Wali after severely beating him. “The Americans did not kill someone like this during their 10 years in Andar. They are crueler than infidels.”

Khan said local police used to arrest people and demand money to release them, otherwise kill them.

Ghazni Governor Mohammad Aman Hamim promised the protesting residents that Shah Wali's killers would be identified and given harsher punishment.

“You must write a complaint to me. At any cost, I will arrest them. They are criminals who harass people. I have received similar complaints before,” the governor said.

Ghazni police chief Brig. Gen. Aminullah Amarkhel said besides ALP, some anti-Taliban militiamen were also involved in intimidating local residents.

He said arrest warrants had been issued for a number of ALP and uprising members in Andar district. He also said the killers of Shah Wali would be arrested and punished in accordance with the law.

Ghazni National Directorate of Security chief Ali Ahmad Mubariz said killing innocent people were un-Islamic, insisting on harsher punishment for the killers of Shah Wali.