



URGENT APPEAL

THE MI ARRESTED MR. QAIS BABU IN DAMAZIN, SUDAN

On 17th June 2026, the military Intelligence (MI) in Damazin arrested Mr. Qais Babu without giving a reason and took him to unknown place. The whereabouts of Mr. Babu is unknown which raised the fear that he could be undergoing torture.

On 17th June 2026, Mr. Qais Babu Ismail was arrested by Military Intelligence (MI) of Sudan Armed Force (SAF) from Damazin market while he was sitting at a shop. He was arrested together with a military officer named; lieutenant colonel/ Badreldin Yousif who was setting with him. Both of them were taken in a military vehicle to unknown place. The Military Intelligence (MI) soldiers did not give reasons for the arrest. Up to date nobody knows the whereabouts of Mr. Qais Babu Ismail and lieutenant colonel/ Badreldin Yousif. This raised fears that the two could be undergoing torture.

HUDO Centre is concerned about the safety of civilians in Sudan during this difficult period of fighting between SAF and RSF and calls for the following:

- The SAF/ MI to disclose the whereabouts of the detained people, their health condition and to allow them access their lawyers and families.
- The SAF/ MI to immediately and unconditionally release Mr. Qais or send him to the courts of law.
- The security committee in Blue Nile State to investigate the circumstances that led to the arrest of Mr. Qais Babu and make the report public.
- The SAF/ MI to stop arresting civilians arbitrarily.



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Additional information:

Mr. Qais Babu Ismail, is 46 years old. He is self-employed and resident of Damazin city at Elzuhur neighbourhood.

Lieutenant colonel / Badreldin Yousif is a military officer at Sudan Liberation Army (SLA) -Menawi. This armed group is one of Darfurian armed groups and it has a presence at Blue Nile in support of Sudan Armed Force.

Damazin is the capital city of Blue Nile State.

The violated rights: Personal freedom

- Article 46 of the Constitutional Document 2019.
- Article 6 of the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights.
- Article 9 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.
- Article 9 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.