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Mothers of prisoners on hunger strike took to the streets in the province of Amed in northern Kurdistan to draw attention to the resistance against isolation.

The massive hunger strike protest of the Kurds demanding the end of the isolation regime executed against Kurdish People’s Leader Abdullah Öcalan continues with resolve.

The hunger strike resistance, initiated by DTK Co-chair and HDP MP Leyla Güven while she was jailed in Amed Prison, was later joined by thousands of prisoners in Turkey and North Kurdistan as well as dozens of activists around the world. Currently there are 7 thousand prisoners on hunger strike and 30 of them have turned their hunger strike into death fast recently.

Families of the prisoners joining the fast have been taking to the streets in Turkey and North Kurdistan to urge the government of Turkey to end the isolation so the hunger strike and death fast protests come to an end before a loss of lives.

In the northern Kurdistan province of Amed (Diyarbakir) vigils have been held for several weeks to draw attention to the prison resistance. On this occasion, today hundreds of prisoners’ relatives conducted their daily vigil, which ended with a subsequent demonstration.

The sit-in was staged again in front of the disused flour factory opposite the Koşuyolu Park which has been under police siege against mothers in the district of Bağlar. The vigil was supported by HDP MP Remziye Tosun and numerous local politicians of the HDP and DBP, as well as families from the districts of Lice, Silvan, Bismil and the neighboring province Batman.

Despite strong police presence, the group of people repeatedly chanted slogans such as “Long live the resistance of the mothers”, “We will win fighting”, “Long live the prison resistance” and “The political prisoners are our honour”.