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Eighty-four days

Editor's note: *Following the formation of the H&I subcommittee in Iran, Payam Behboodi (the Iranian NA community's recovery journal) has been receiving letters from prisons across the country on a regular basis. The following letter has a different story. It is from someone who got to know NA while imprisoned, despite drugs being widely available in their jails at low prices.*



My name is Habib and I am an addict. Greetings to all the addicts at the Central Prison of Qazvin, and to all NA groups around the world.

I am writing this letter as I pass the final moments of my life. I am very close to death. I wish to send a message to all fellow members: I got clean through a Narcotics Anonymous meeting in jail, and through attending these meetings, I stopped using drugs. I have become very close to God, I feel good, and I am at peace with myself and the world. I have accepted the will of God.

I'd like to ask you fellows to stay clean and be of service. Try to help other addicts stay clean physically, mentally, and spiritually. Please continue this path to save other addicts. I have nothing else to say. My name is Habib, and by dawn my life will end. I will be hanged for the crimes I committed, but I have been clean for eighty-four days beside you. I wish success for all addicts ... members and non-members. God bless.

Habib, Qazvin, Iran

Payam Behboodi,
the Iranian NA community's recovery journal