

KESK, said the following:

"No legal procedures are working during the purges and suspensions. Our appeals to administrative tribunals and Council of State (Daist) are being rejected on the ground of 'lack of authority'. All judiciary including the Constitutional Court have left the OHAL and decrees to the Government's judgement and executive's initiative. We are faced with developments without any whatsoever judicial control. There are 103,000 public employees who have been purged / dismissed from their jobs indefinitely under these circumstances. 3,100 of these are members of KESK unions. Moreover, 698 of our colleagues have been suspended. (...) These purges aim to destroy our right to work and job security as well as our demand for democratic, scientific, secular education also in mother tongue and demand for the autonomous university. Expulsions have also physically removed our right to social security, health and free travel. It is the union rights and the freedom to organise which have been threatened and penalised. Also, the fact that 330 of those purged are our unions' leaders exposes this aspect of the developments as well." (https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=http://www.kesk.org.tr/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Kurultay_Acilis_.docx) Even these figures do not reflect the full picture. Erdogan regime has expelled thousands more public employees with new decrees published in July 2017. We intend to update the data duly. 4.8.2017.