

Iran suspends activist's sentence

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TEHRAN - Iran has temporarily suspended the sentence of an activist arrested for campaigning for women's rights, Radio Free Europe reported Monday. Delaram Ali, 24, was arrested in June 2006 in Tehran for protesting Iranian laws she believes are discriminatory against women. Her sentence of more than two years' imprisonment and 10 lashes of a whip has been suspended while Iranian judges decide whether to review her case, her lawyer, Nasrin Sotoodeh, told Radio Farda. "We hope that in the next two weeks during which the implementation has been postponed, there will be a reconsideration and she will be found not guilty," Sotoodeh said. Five other women who organized the 2006 protest received jail terms of up to a year, with suspended sentences of up to three years, Radio Free Europe reported.

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