

Syrian minister calls for further cooperation with Iran



IRNA – Syrian Minister of Culture Lubanah Mshaweh underscored the importance of strengthening cultural ties with Iran, describing Iran as a friendly and brotherly nation.

Mshaweh emphasized the need for both countries to establish a more precise framework for cultural collaboration.

During a meeting with Iranian Ambassador to Syria Hossein Akbari and Cultural Attaché of the Iranian Embassy in Damascus Hamidreza Asgari, Mshaweh highlighted the numerous memoranda of understanding already signed between Iran and Syria in various cultural domains, including artist exchanges, cultural production, and a pact between their national libraries.

Mshaweh expressed Syria's keenness to continue collaborating with Iran in fields such as visual arts and cinema, stressing their readiness for joint initiatives and the development of new agreements. She emphasized the necessity of innovative and efficient approaches to cultural endeavors.

Furthermore, Mshaweh proposed the establishment of a structured framework for future collaborations, with regular assessments conducted through expert-level sessions.

She emphasized the importance of continuous evaluation in maintaining productive cultural relations.

'Larva' ready for global screening



IRNA – The short film, 'Larva', written, produced, and directed by Leila Fardad, is now prepared for international screening.

According to media project consultants, 'Larva' created by Leila Fardad, is set for worldwide presentation and participation in national and international film festivals following post-production.

'Larva' is a single-character film, starring Mostafa Darabi, shot over the course of one day inside a prison. The film's storyline is summarized as follows: "A man, weary of the outside world, seeks refuge in his narrow, dark room, where unexpected answers await his questions."

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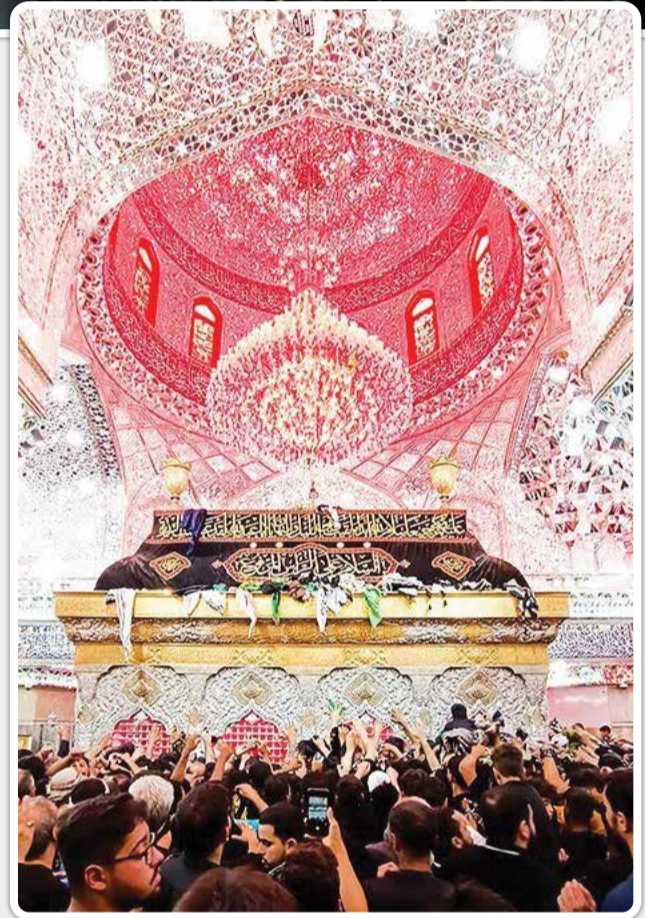
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On the threshold of Arbaeen



Arbaeen, that comes 40 days after the martyrdom anniversary of Imam Hussein (PBUH), holds a prominent place in the teachings of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, the late founder of the Islamic Republic of Iran. These insights have been compiled in a book titled 'Sahifeh-ye-Imam,' which includes all the speeches of Ayatollah Khomeini. Following is a handpicked selection of his words on this epic event.



If it hadn't been for the uprising of His Holiness, the Doyen of the Martyrs, even today we could not have become victorious. All this unity of the word, which became the source of our victory, was due to these mourning ceremonies, and the ceremonies for the promotion and propagation of Islam. The Doyen of the oppressed made available the means for our nation to congregate.

● Sahifeh-ye-Imam, Vol. 17, page 51



Ashura is the day of the seekers of justice, of a small band of followers armed with big faith and love in the face of palace-residing oppressors and plundering arrogance.

● Sahifeh-ye-Imam, Vol. 9, page 403



Weeping while mourning for Imam Hussein, keeping alive the movement and keeping alive the meaning that a small group stood up against a big empire is the message.

● Sahifeh-ye-Imam, Vol. 10, page 221



Keep Muharram alive. Whatever we have is from this month of Muharram.

● Sahifeh-ye-Imam, Vol. 17, page 53