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### A figure that fostered national unity

Moinoddin Saeedi, a representative of Sistan and Baluchestan Province in Iran's Parliament, told Iran Daily that Gen. Soleimani was once appointed to serve in the southeastern region where he managed to enhance security through an approach characterized by "maximum attraction and minimum rejection".

Saeedi said such an approach encouraged many militants causing insecurity in the volatile region to put down their guns and return "to the arms of the nation".

The lawmaker emphasized that Gen. Soleimani's impact extended beyond the military and security realms.

"His inclusive perspective, which refrained from dividing people into different factions, engendered a sense of harmony and empathy within society. This sentiment is evident in his speech, where he referred to even the girls avoiding the Muslim veil as being part of our own family. As a result, Gen. Soleimani emerged not only as a hero in the fight against terrorism but also as a national figure revered across all segments of society," Saeedi pointed out.

"He presented himself as a devoted servant of the people, a sentiment that resonated deeply, drawing great love and admiration. The massive turnout at his funeral is a testament to this widespread sentiment."

The lawmaker noted that even after his assassination, Gen. Soleimani's influence remains potent.

"His martyrdom served to unify the resistance movement and garnered the sympathy of people from all walks of life."



### Gen. Soleimani's attachment to society

Mahmoud Abbaszadeh, a lawmaker also sitting in the NSFPF, said Gen. Soleimani had remarkable personality traits.

"Not only was he a strong battlefield commander, but he also demonstrated abilities as a skilled diplomat. It is due to these exceptional characteristics that he was assigned to deal with complex international arenas. The Syrian war, one of the most intricate conflicts in history, involved numerous Western and international military forces. Yet, despite their advanced weaponry, none of them achieved significant results. It was the military genius of Gen. Soleimani that ultimately led to the decisive defeat of ISIS," Abbaszadeh said.

According to the lawmaker, another aspect of Gen. Soleimani's character was his attachment to the realities of society.

"He paid close attention to various segments of society... His realistic outlook on societal issues permeated his military approach, as he displayed pragmatism and calculated strategies in defense and combat operations. Indeed, his military genius was undoubtedly influenced by his pragmatic perspective."

Abbaszadeh said Gen. Soleimani's refusal to pursue political power demonstrated his commitment to being a true warrior.

"Despite his widespread popularity among the people, he declined a potential candidacy in the 2021 presidential elections. Gen. Soleimani said that as long as his performance in his current position was satisfactory to the Leader, he would not seek any other capacity. This aspect of his character reflected his dedication to his role and his focus on fulfilling his responsibilities," he said.

The lawmaker said the slain general left a lasting impact overseas as he "established a school" that trained many individuals, both in the military and political spheres.

"Gen. Soleimani's followers and successors carry the weight of his experience, further contributing to the ongoing legacy he left behind," Abbaszadeh said.



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