

# Two newspaper print-runs seized in Sudan's capital

KHARTOUM: The print-run of *Al Ayam* newspaper in Khartoum was confiscated on Saturday. Sudan's National Intelligence and Security Services also seized copies of *Al Youm Al Tali* newspaper on Friday, without giving any reasons.



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Several journalists at *Al Youm Al Tali* said the move was likely because columnist Mohamed Latif re-published an article written by the veteran journalist Nouredin Madani. He wrote the police acknowledged the occurrence of child abuse incidents, according to *Sudan Tribune*.

The group Journalists for Human Rights (JHR) condemned the confiscation of *Al Ayam* in a press statement on 13 June. The group appreciates the professionalism of the *Al Ayam* staff, withstanding "throughout this difficult period", as the confiscation of copies is also a financial siege on the newspaper.

Furthermore, it is humiliating, JHR writes, that a number of journalists remain in trial in Sudan for oppressing the anti-freedom laws and laws that forbid free expression in the country.

Last month, the security apparatus (NISS) seized copies of ten newspapers and suspended four of them indefinitely without reasons. These four were reinstated on Thursday.

Last Monday, security agents confiscated the print-run of *El Akhbar* daily newspaper in Khartoum. A reason was not provided. The prior day, all copies of *El Watan* were barred from distribution.