

# Neoliberal Reforms: Thousands Rally in Yemen Against Government Economic Policies

By [Global Research](#)

Global Research, April 16, 2010

[Xinhua](#) 15 April 2010

Region: [Middle East & North Africa](#)

Theme: [Global Economy](#)

SANAA — Thousands of Yemeni demonstrators took to streets on Thursday in several major cities to protest against what they said “government’s policies of starvation and political restriction,” said officials and eyewitnesses.

The largest opposition Joint Meeting Parties (JMPs) organized protest demonstrations in Sanaa, the capital, and in the provinces of Taiz and al-Jouf, as well as a number of cities in the south, said an official of the Interior Ministry who demanded not to be identified.

According to eyewitnesses, rallies also demanded the government to release all southern political prisoners who were captured during demonstrations in southern provinces.

In the rallies, protestors shouted against the government economic policies and raised banners in which they denounced “the government’s policies of hunger and intimidation against political activists,” said witnesses attended the demonstrations.

Meanwhile, in the southern provinces of al-Dhalee, Lahj and Abyan, weekly demonstrations were organized each Thursday to press the government to free political activists from jails.

According to local media, there were at least two people wounded in clashes with security forces in al-Dhalee province on Thursday.

*Editor: Fang Yang*

The original source of this article is [Xinhua](#)  
Copyright © [Global Research](#), [Xinhua](#), 2010

[Comment on Global Research Articles on our Facebook page](#)

[Become a Member of Global Research](#)

Articles by: [Global Research](#)

**Disclaimer:** The contents of this article are of sole responsibility of the author(s). The Centre for Research on Globalization will not be responsible for any inaccurate or incorrect statement in this article. The Centre of Research on Globalization grants permission to cross-post Global Research articles on community internet sites as long the source and copyright are

acknowledged together with a hyperlink to the original Global Research article. For publication of Global Research articles in print or other forms including commercial internet sites, contact: [publications@globalresearch.ca](mailto:publications@globalresearch.ca)  
[www.globalresearch.ca](http://www.globalresearch.ca) contains copyrighted material the use of which has not always been specifically authorized by the copyright owner. We are making such material available to our readers under the provisions of "fair use" in an effort to advance a better understanding of political, economic and social issues. The material on this site is distributed without profit to those who have expressed a prior interest in receiving it for research and educational purposes. If you wish to use copyrighted material for purposes other than "fair use" you must request permission from the copyright owner.

For media inquiries: [publications@globalresearch.ca](mailto:publications@globalresearch.ca)