

Our committees:

In order to pursue its goals, Kongra Star has 12 committees to focus on areas of work. In all committees, various autonomous work and projects are developed.

The committees:

1. Education and Academies Committee
2. Political Committee
3. Civil Defense Committee
4. Communal Economy Committee
5. Culture and Arts Committee
6. Health Committee
7. Ecology Committee
8. Finance Committee
9. Media Committee
10. Rights and Justice Committee
11. Diplomacy Committee
12. Social Committee

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Women's Movement

About Us

Kongra Star is a confederal and democratic women's organization. Its focus is organizing, educating, and empowering women and struggling for women's liberation and gender equality in all spheres of life. It was founded in 2005 under the name Yêkitiya Star (named for the ancient Mesopotamian goddess, Ishtar). Kongra Star is organizing in Rojava, Northern and Eastern Syria and generally throughout Syria. There are also Kongra Star offices in South Kurdistan (the Kurdish region of Iraq), in Lebanon and in Europe.

Kongra Star is based on a paradigm of democracy, ecology and women's liberation. It seeks to develop a free Rojava, a democratic Syria and a democratic Middle East by promoting women's freedom and the concept of democratic nation. This means the people themselves becoming a nation through the development of autonomous institutions for self-defense, economy, law, society, diplomacy and culture, without relying on power and the state. Kongra Star fights against patriarchal, racist, capitalist authoritarian mentality and advocates for an equal, free and just society.

Kongra Star is made up of Communes, Councils, Academies, Cooperatives and Committees. An overall congress is held every two years. There, all the organizations, groups and committees that make up Kongra Star gather, evaluate their work and make decisions for the future. There the committee members and the Kongra Star coordinators are elected.

When the women's revolution began in Rojava on July 19, 2012, the women's movement played a leading role. It challenges all forms and expressions of patriarchy and misogyny, struggles against colonialist, assimilationist, genocidal and capitalist practices and policies. Kongra Star defends all achievements of women and has been at the vanguard of the fight against ISIS and the ISIS mentality and sees the YPJ as a force for protecting women. It defends the peaceful coexistence and democratic participation and representation of different ethnic and religious communities in social, political and cultural life.

A moral and political society is built through the development of an intellectual revolution, through education based on Jineology. With Jineology, mental colonization will be overcome and women's free mind, free life and gender struggle will be developed.

Aims of Kongra Star:

- Effective resistance against the patriarchal mindset, sexism & misogyny in all spheres of life & active efforts to democratize the family & change men on the basis of equality.
- Strengthening democratic & peaceful coexistence of different ethnic & religious groups in North East Syria by challenging ideologies like nationalism, sectarianism, or chauvinism
- Protection, preservation & revitalization of cultures in face of cultural genocide.
- Advocacy for a political solution to the Kurdish question in Syria & equal rights for women in a future democratic Syria
- Implementation of the co-chair system & realizing women's equal representation & participation in all decision-making processes & all political and social life through empowerment of women.
- Struggle against all forms of gender-based violence by strengthening women's self-defense, consciousness raising & social justice mechanisms
- Protecting and improving the rights of children
- Protection of nature by building a social environmental consciousness against all destructive & nature-consuming practices of capitalist modernity.
- Strengthening women's participation in economic life, especially by developing autonomous & collective economic projects
- Develop joint activities & alliances with women's organizations around the world to strengthen the common struggle.