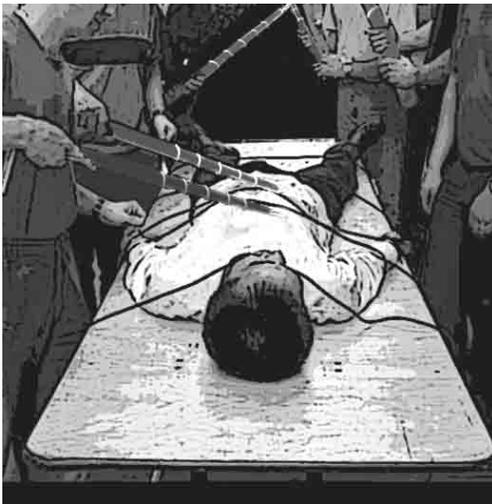


Torture Methods

Over a hundred torture methods have been used in detention centers, forced-labor camps, prisons, mental hospitals, and brainwashing centers to force Falun Gong practitioners into renouncing their belief. WOIPFG has collected substantial evidence from eyewitnesses and testimonies from victims. Some of the documented torture methods are presented on the following pages.

Merciless Beating The following items have been used for beating Falun Gong practitioners: wooden clubs, pieces of aluminum alloy, steel and iron bars, iron rods, whips made of twisted copper wire, bamboo sticks, rubber sticks, wolf-teeth sticks, electric batons, rubber tubes, wooden planks, steel wire locks, rattan, electric wire whips and rope whips. When rubber sticks are used, the injuries are not visible but internal organs can be damaged.



Electric Shock

Electric batons carrying high voltages are used to shock practitioners' sensitive areas and private parts such as the inside of the mouth, the top of the head, front of the chest, breasts, genitals, buttocks, thighs, the bottoms of the feet, etc. Several electric batons are used simultaneously on different body parts such as the top of the head and the anus, or to shock a person until the flesh is severely burned. Practitioners have said that the smell of burning flesh is everywhere.



Policemen are known to wire a practitioner's ten fingers, immerse them in water, connect them with telephone wire, and then electrocute the practitioner by turning on the hand-operated telephone.

Holes from electric needles cover the legs.

Burning Boiling water is poured on the body and salt is applied to the wounds. Practitioners have also been burned with cigarettes, lighters, fire, irons, and hot iron bars. Kilns have also been used to burn practitioners.



Tortured by police, Tan Yongjie suffered 13 third-degree burns from a red-hot iron.



Cigarette burns on woman's face were inflicted by a policeman.

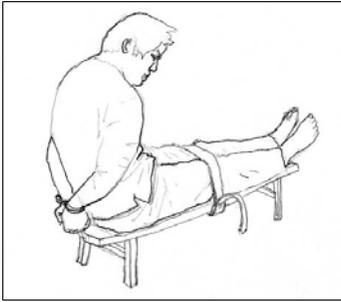


Freezing

Practitioners are forced to stand in the snow, causing severe frostbite.



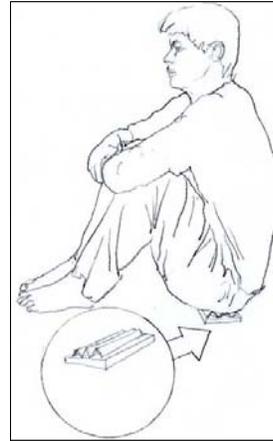
Guns Practitioners shot and wounded by police.



The Tiger Bench

Sitting Torture

Practitioners are forced to sit on a tiny board, on iron chairs, on triangle iron bars and on Tiger Benches (a kind of severe torture method. The person is forced to sit on the bench with his knees tightly tied to the bench. Hard stuff, usually bricks are inserted under this person's feet which cause immense pain)



Triangle Iron Board:

After sitting on the iron board, practitioners' hips bleed and fester endlessly.

Handcuffs

Practitioners are handcuffed in a way to let them suffer as much as Possible: handcuffed in the back, handcuffed individually or two handcuffed together, "Su Qin Carrying a Sword on the Back"—victim's hands are handcuffed behind back with one arm over the shoulder and the other against the lower back; two people are tied up together with handcuffs and heavy shackles, tied to dead person's bed, hung up on windows or door frames, forced to wear heavy shackles on feet

Standing Torture

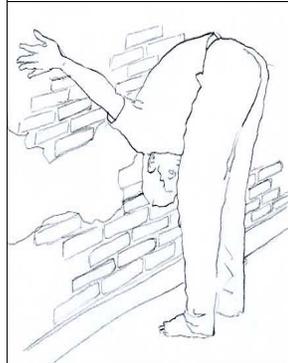
Punishment by forcing to stand for a long time; stand with the head bent down to the lowest, while the hands are pulled up and held up to the highest point in the back, thus the body shape looks like a plane; stand in a very small room; stand upside down.



Limbs Shackled Together



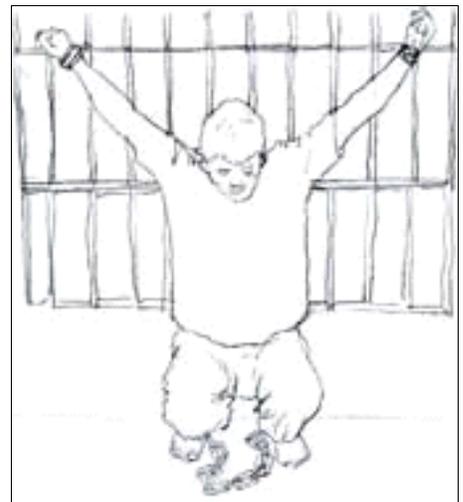
Su Qin Carrying a Sword on the Back



Solitary Confinement:

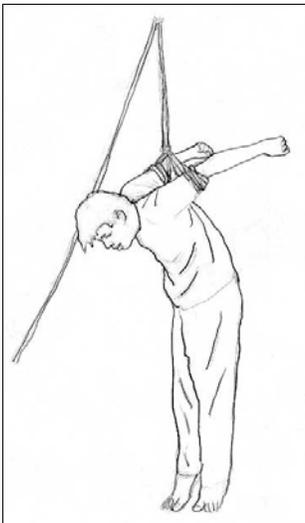
The dimensions of the cage are less than a person's height, so one can neither stand up nor lie down. Except for a small barred door, all openings are tightly sealed. No light comes in. Practitioners are at times locked up for 120 days.

Squat Torture__Method Squat with both legs; Do military squat



Tying the Ropes:

"Hanging up once" means the rope is tied one time. As a severe punishment, the rope is tied twice at the most for criminals who try to escape from detention centers. But the police tie Falun Gong practitioners eight or nine times.

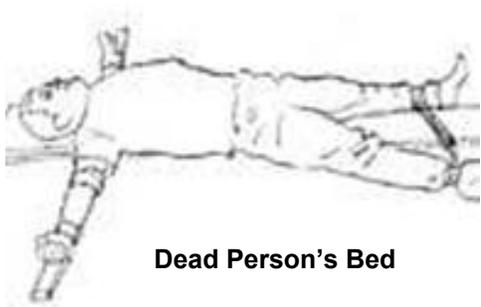


Sexual Abuse



Sexual abuse of female practitioners is very common, especially young teenage girls. Women are beaten, raped, gang raped, and thrown into male prison cells. Objects are often forced into women's vaginas, such as electric shock batons, mop poles, and hot pepper. Shoe brushes, toothbrushes, and iron hooks have been used to damage female practitioners' genital areas. Police use electric batons to shock breasts and nipples, and other sensitive areas. They also use cigarettes to burn the practitioners in these areas.

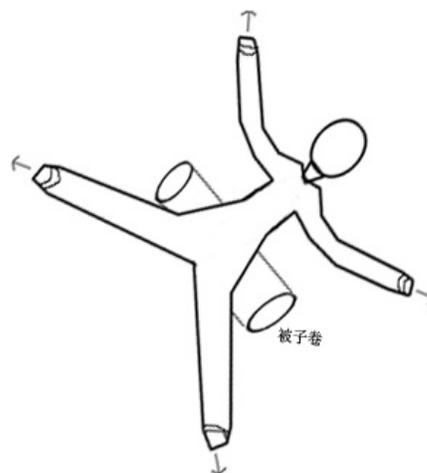
Dead Person's Bed (a.k.a. Fixed Bed or Stretching Bed)



Dead Person's Bed

This kind of bed has fixed molds made of steel bars mounted on the bed. Instead of pulling the victim's four limbs outward in their natural direction, police pull the limbs in irregular directions to twist the body beyond its limits. Then they put wooden sticks, basins, and bottles beneath the victim, and finally they stretch the body so much that it is completely lifted and not touching the bed. The victim's joints are pulled to the point of splitting, and the person suffers from enormous pain. This is one of the most vicious methods used on practitioners.

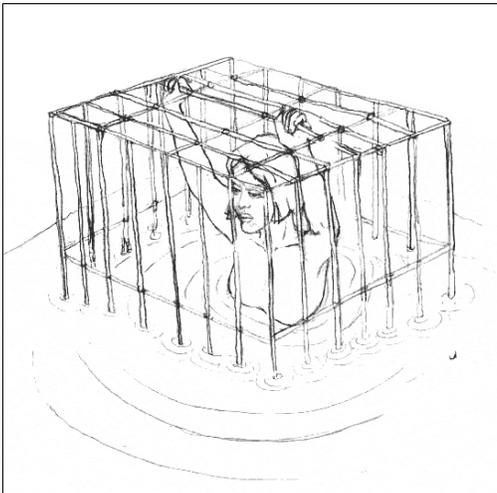
This kind of torture uses iron chain to lock a practitioner's four limbs separately and pull them in four different directions until the whole body rises without touching the bed. It can last for a few hours to a few days or even longer. At the same time, someone uses a rubber hammer to strike each joint all over the body until it breaks and turns completely black and blue. The victim's ankles, wrists, and every joint are pulled apart, muscles split, and even finger nails are pulled out. This torture is far beyond a man's capacity to endure. If tortured this way for a long time, the victim's four limbs will be totally disabled. Once the victim is tied on this bed, he is left there even when he needs to use toilet. The policemen continue to torture him in this position.



New Type of Fixed Bed

Restrictive Clothes

Practitioners are force to wear restrictive clothes so that they can be tied up with their arms back. The clothes are specially designed and the sleeves are about 10 inches longer than the wearer's arms. There are belts on the sleeves. After putting it on, arms are dragged to back and tied crossed, and then pulled over the head to the front of the chest and tied together with both legs. This person then is hung on the iron bar of a window without touching the ground. Earpieces are put into the person's ears to force this person to hear the propaganda slandering Falun Gong continuously, with his mouth filled with rags. Once this torture begins, the person's both arms are disabled immediately as bones and ligaments break in the shoulders, elbows and wrists. Those who were tortured this way a long time would die from the severe pain, with all their back bones broken into pieces. Four practitioners from the Shibali He women's labor camp in Henan Province died after being tortured this way.



Water Jail Practitioners are thrown naked into a tiny cage filled with dirty water. Many have died this way.

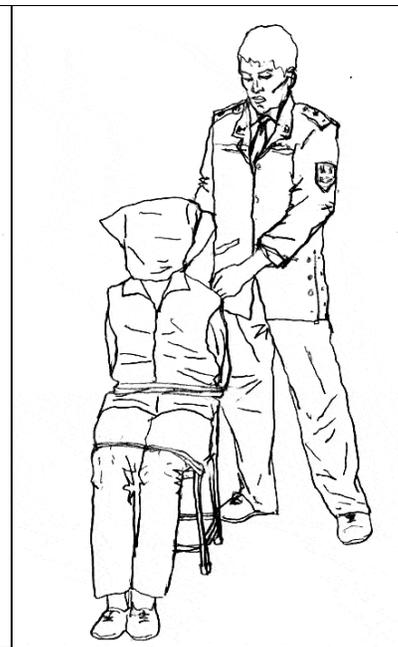
Di Lao is a set of iron torturing tool used to cuff one's hands and feet in a cross position. With both hands and feet locked together, one can hardly move. When this device is used for a few days, this person's hands and feet start to fester, unable to move or sit. Some practitioners had been forced to wear this rusted device and demanded to walk fast, their feet were constantly cut by the sharp metal pieces on the device.

Force Feeding

Force feed practitioners with high salt concentrated water, sticky corn syrup, pepper juice water, ethyl alcohol, drugs, water with urine and stool, etc.

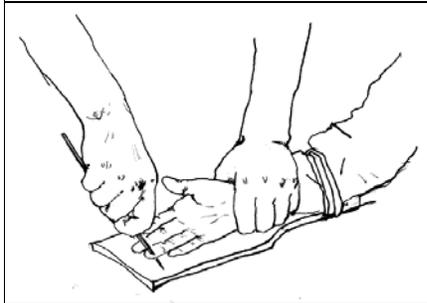


Suffocating When police inflict corporal punishment while trying to force Falun Dafa practitioners into "confessions," they often push practitioner's head into water to irritate their nose many times, or use a plastic bag to suffocate them. This is a cruel and easily administered torture



Bamboo Nail Hammered Into Fingers

Nail fingers with pins, hammer bamboo nails into fingers under fingernails, nail finger, or even pull off every finger nail



Police command guard dogs to attack Falun Dafa practitioners! poisonous snake and scorpion bites are also used to torture practitioners.



Nails Penetrating Bones Hammer nails into the feet to fasten them on the floor and locked into the iron ring fixed on the floor in the confined compartment

Humiliation Parade on Streets Practitioners are insulted by forcing them to go on parade with a big sign hanging

Kill Practitioners Purposely Practitioners are dragged to death, burned to death; killed during force Abortion; rope-strangled to death; force cremation