REALIZING THE RIGHT TO **EDUCATION:** HOUSING, DEBT, AND HIGHER **EDUCATION** IN TURKEY

# RIGHT TO (HIGHER) EDUCATION

International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Article 13

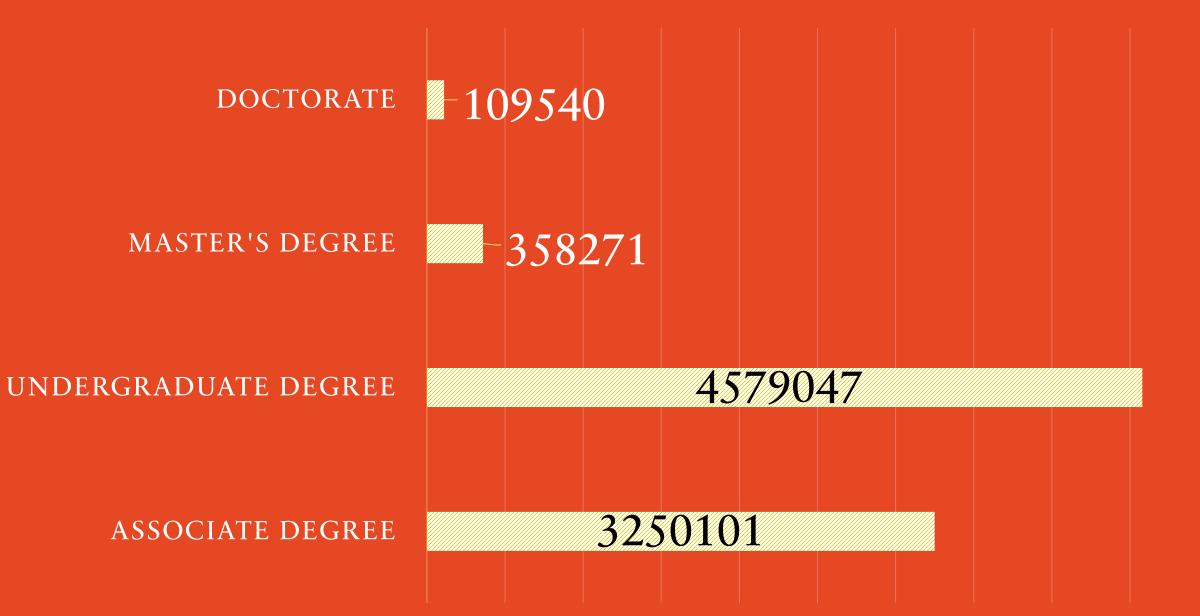
- (1) The States Parties to the present Covenant recognize the right of everyone to education...
- (2) (C) Higher education shall be made equally accessible to all, on the basis of capacity, by every appropriate means, and in particular by the progressive introduction of free education.



Constitution of the Republic of Turkey, Article 42:

"... The State shall provide scholarships and other means of assistance to enable students of merit lacking financial means to continue their education. The State shall take necessary measures to rehabilitate those in need of special education so as to render such people useful to society."

# NUMBER OF UNIVERSITY STUDENTS IN TURKEY



# EDUCATION AND HOUSING: COMPLEMENTARY RIGHTS

# 1961 CONSTITUTION OF THE TURKISH REPUBLIC

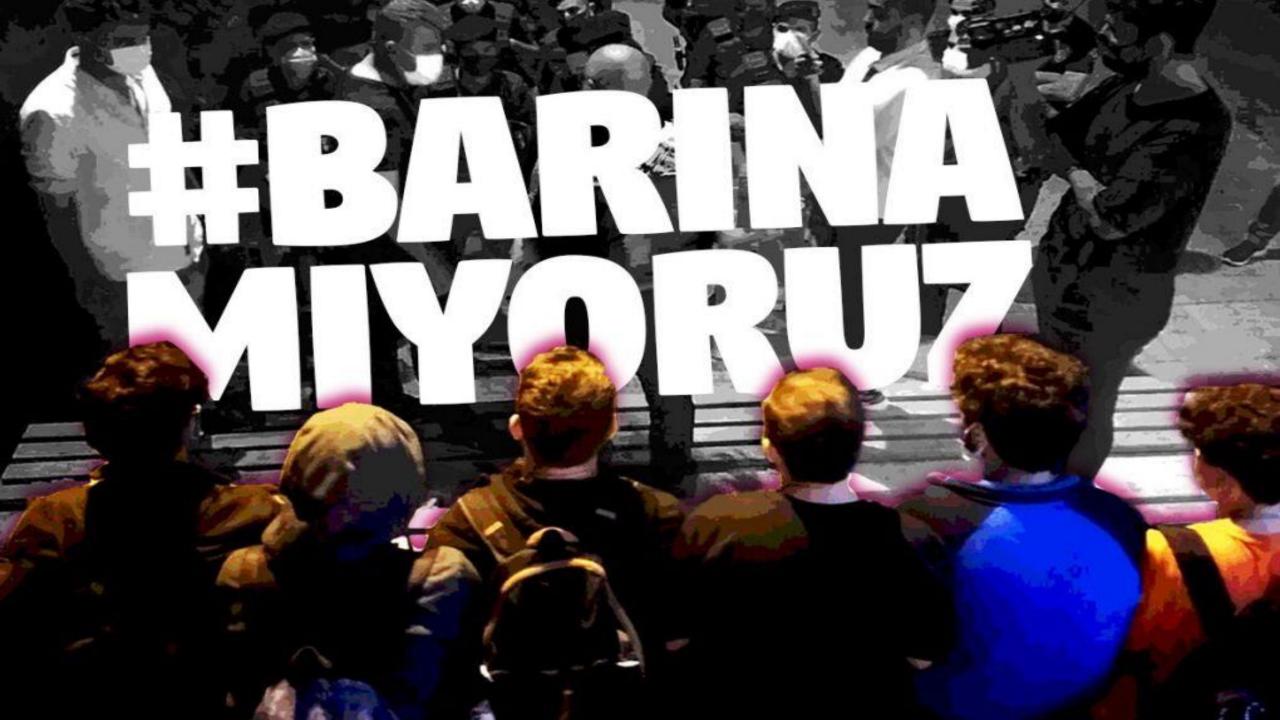
#### VIII. Education:

ARTICLE 50 — One of the foremost duties of the State is to provide for the educational needs of the people.

Primary education is compulsory for all citizens, male and female, and shall be provided free of charge in State Schools.

To assure that capable and deserving students in need of financial support may attain the highest level of learning consistent with their abilities, the State shall assist them through scholarships and other means.

# KYK CREDIT AND DORMITORIES INSTITUTION





# **DEMANDS**



#### **HOUSING**

- Quantity
  - 776 KYK dorms housing 760 thousand students
- Quality



# **SCHOLARSHIPS**

- Number of recipients
- Amount



### **LOANS**

- Loan forgiveness
- Transform into scholarships

#### 2022 Yılı Burs ve Öğrenim Kredisi Alan Öğrenci Sayıları

Number of Students Receiving Scholarship and Education Loan in the year 2021

Yurt İçi - Domestic		Yurt Dışı - Abroad		Toplam - Total	
<b>Öğrenim Kredisi</b> Loan	859 479	Öğrenim Kredisi Loan	20 359	Öğrenim Kredisi Loan	879 838
<b>Burs</b> Study grant	503 254	<b>Burs</b> Study grant	204	<b>Burs</b> Study grant	503 458
<b>Toplam</b> Total	1 362 733	<b>Toplam</b> Total	20 563	<b>Toplam</b> Total	1 383 296

Not: 2012/3584 sayılı Bakanlar Kurulu Kararı gereği, 2012-2013 öğretim döneminden itibaren katkı kredisi ödemesi yapılmamaktadır.

Note. Contribution Loan (loan for tuition fees) payment is not made as of the education year 2012-2013 in accordance with Decision No. 2012/3584 of the Council of Ministers.

#### 2022 Yılı Burs ve Öğrenim Kredisi Miktarları

Amounts of Scholarship and Education Loan in the year 2021

	Yurt Dışı - Abroad	
Kredi Miktarı (TL) Loan Amount (TL)		
850	Yurt dışı burs/ kredi miktarları ülkeler bazında belirlenmektedir.	
000	The amount of international scholarship / grant is determined	
	according to countries.	
1 700		
2 550		
	Loan Amount (TL) 850	

Kaynak: Kredi ve Yurtlar Genel Müdürlüğü

Source: General Directorate of Loans and Dormitories

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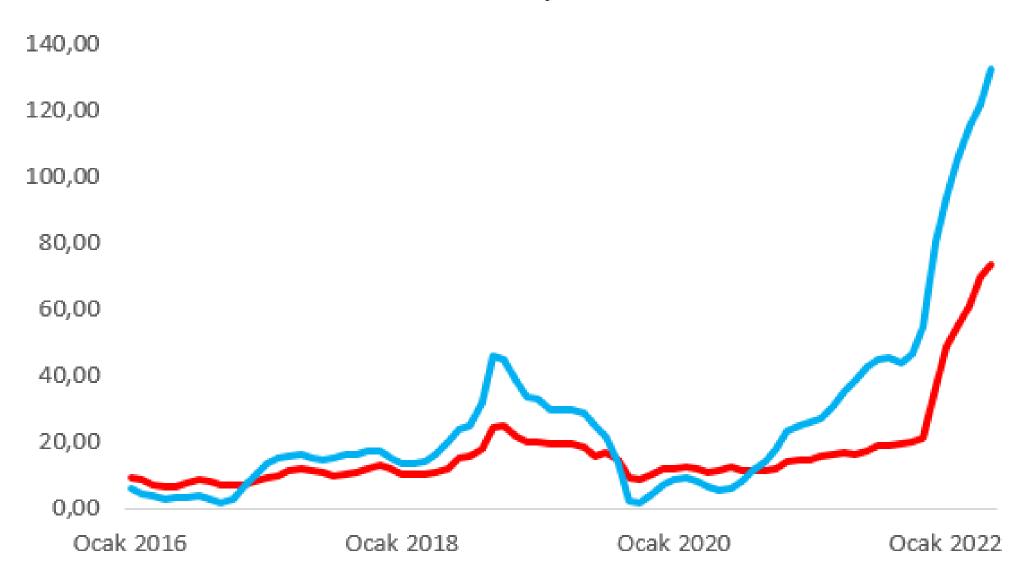
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# Yİ-ÜFE, TÜFE



Toplam Geri Ödeme: 37.123 TL

Anapara Tutarı 1: 26.160 TL

Enflasyon Farkı Toplam Tutarı : 10.963 TL

### **Mevcut Ödeme Planınız**

Dönem	Taksit Tarihi	Aylık Ödeme Tutarı
1	(Son iş Günü)/6/2022	640 TL
2	(Son iş Günü)/7/2022	640 TL
3	(Son iş Günü)/8/2022	640 TL

Daha Fazla Göster

Toplam Geri Ödeme: 102.735 TL

Anapara Tutari 1: 32.840 TL

Enflasyon Farkı Toplam Tutarı : 69.895 TL

# **Mevcut Ödeme Planınız**

Dönem	Taksit Tarihi	Aylık Ödeme Tutarı
1	(Son iş Günü)/6/2024	1.771 TL
2	(Son iş Günü)/7/2024	1.771 TL
3	(Son iş Günü)/8/2024	1.771 TL

# RESPONSE

- Denial
  - Of claims
    - Dorms now provide hotel-room standards of living
    - AKP increased the grant amounts from 45 TRY since they've taken office
  - Of interest
    - Labelling protestors "militants on payroll" "who have nothing to with being students"
    - "There cannot be students like these. These are, if anything, students who have infiltrated universities."

# RESPONSE

Detaining students

Removal from dormitories

Cutting off scholarships, turning scholarships into loans

- Interrelated nature of rights
- Debt and dependency as discipline and control

# THANK YOU

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