

QUICK INFO SHEET: Yu Dihong (余弟宏)

Male, 55, Shangcheng city, Henan Province.

Yu, a peasant from Henan province is accused of participating and organizing an illegal protest in January 2002 together with more experienced activist Lv Huangyin. They together protested illegal taxes levied by the local government, and got the higher up government to correct the local authorities. As punishment, seven years later in 2009, the local police detained them both, and on September 21, 2010 they were sentenced to 11 and 12 months of imprisonment respectively. They are now awaiting response to their appeal.

For detailed information on Yu Dihong, see <http://China-Action.org>, the case file or (if available) Urgent Appeal to the United Nations, all of which can be found on our website.

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- **Reason:** Participation in a mass protest in Fushan, Henan in January 2002, where his friend and activist Lv Huangyin (吕皇银) organized opposition to illegal taxes and levies by the local government.
- **Date of detention:** December 29, 2009
- **Date of arrest:** January 2, 2010
- **Place of detention:** Shangcheng city detention center, Henan province
- **Charge:** 'Interfering with the execution of public function'
- **Case handed to Procuratorate:** May 5, 2010
- **Case sent back to Police for further investigation:** June 6, 2010
- **Case sent back to police for additional investigation:** August 7, 2010
- **Case sent to court:** September 7, 2010
- **Legal counsel:** Wang Quanzhang (王全章) for Yu Dihong, Li Fangping (李方平) and Liu Xiaoyuan (刘晓原) for Lv Huangyin
- **Current status:** Appeal filed, awaiting response
- **Court/date of trial:** September 13, 2010 at Huangchuan court (潢川县法院)
- **Date of verdict:** September 21, 2010