

## **Kurdish nationalism has never been loyal to the truth**

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The People of Dersim are a distinct people from the Kurds.

The victims of the 1938 Dersim genocide are not Kurdish as alleged by Kurdish nationalists.

The victims are the Dersimis, who are also known by the name Kızılbash.

The Dersimis had been subjugated to numerous massacres over the centuries from the Çaldıran War in 1514 up to the 1938.

It was not because of their Kurdisness, but because of their Dersimi and Kızılbash identity which has never been acceptable by the Kurds either.

Besides the Kurdish involvement in these massacres is a well known fact.

Nationalism has never been loyal to the truth.

The Kurdish nationalism is not and can not be an exception.

The Kurdish nationalists are trying to kurdify the 1938 Dersim genocide in the political interests of the Kurdish nationalism, particularly in the immediate interests of the PKK, which is also an occupying force in Dersim alongside the Turkish army.

The misrepresentation of the subject matter is an insult to the people of Dersim and to the victims of the Dersim genocide.

It is important to remain loyal to the truth.