

More deaths reported in latest Tunisia unrest

At least four people have been killed in renewed clashes between Tunisian police and youths angry about unemployment and rising prices. The latest deaths came as protesters defied a curfew aimed at calming weeks of violence in which officials say at least 23 people have died



TUNISIA FACTFILE

► **Politics:** Country ruled by President **Zine El Abidine Ben Ali** (pictured) since 1987

► **Population:** 10.4 million. Islam is state religion but government supports secular society. Main languages are Arabic and French

► **Economy:** Lucrative tourism industry. Government cites growth rate of 3.1% in 2010. Unemployment rate is 14%

► **Media:** Tightly controlled. Video sharing sites such as **YouTube** are censored. **Facebook** widely used

► **Human rights:** Government tolerates little public dissent. Critics say e-mail is surveyed

