

Don't drag the Saikias: JFA



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Journalists' Forum Assam (JFA) has fervently requested the newspapers and news channels to avoid the description of family members while narrating an accused person in any case. Commenting on journalist Santanu Saikia's [arrest](#) by the Delhi police today for his alleged involvement in leaking government documents to corporate personnel, the journalist forum appealed the media outlets to spare his parent's name in the narration.

Saikia, who used to work for [New Delhi](#) based economic newspapers for many years, lately run a portal relating to the Petroleum sectors. The police suspect his role in procuring and later providing secret documents relating to the Petroleum [ministry](#) to some private companies for personal benefits. He, along with few others, was detained by the police yesterday for interrogation and reportedly [found](#) some vital documents from their possessions.

"For any reason, we are convinced that Saikia's [father](#) and mother, who were Assam's best known journalist and author contributing immensely to our society, were no way involved with the alleged unlawful activities. Hence their names should not be used in the description of Saikia in this unwanted case," said a statement issued by the JFA.

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NAZIRA, September 27, 2026 — Tension continues to prevail in Nazira, particularly in the Santak-Bihubar area, following the killing of Biman Barua, president of the Rangajan Yuva Samaj and a youth social worker, on September 18 under Bihubar Police Station.

Following the killing, local residents have been demanding stringent punishment for the alleged masterminds, Ravindra Singh alias Vicky Singh and Rubul Khan, besides seeking demolition of Vicky Singh's residence.

Meanwhile, Sivasagar district police have taken Vicky Singh and Rubul Khan into custody and are questioning them at the district headquarters police station in connection with the murder case and allegations of drug-related activities.

According to police sources, the two allegedly told investigators during questioning that drugs were brought from Dimapur and Nagaland and stored at the residence of Vicky Singh's sister in Nazira town. The drugs were allegedly supplied from the house to users in different parts of Nazira and Sivasagar.

Based on the information allegedly obtained during the questioning, a joint team of Bihubar Police and Nazira Model Police Station conducted a raid at the residence of Vicky Singh's sister, Rinki Singh Bora, in Ward No. 6 of Nazira town on Saturday morning.

Police detained Rinki Singh Bora and are reportedly questioning her in connection with the alleged storage and distribution of drugs.

The investigation into the murder of Biman Barua and the alleged drug network is continuing.

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