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Financial support to Mahanta's family



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The Satyam Foundation has donated a sum of rupees 15000 (fifteen thousand only) to the bereaved family of journalist Hiten Mahanta, who passed away on 29 August 2015 at GNRC (/taxonomy/term/87) hospital (Guwahati six-mile campus). Mahanta was not feeling well for some time. An honest, brave and impartial journalist, Mahanta used to raise voices relentlessly against (/taxonomy/term/1929) the separatist militants of the troubled northeast India (/taxonomy/term/2367). Moreover, he was also vocal in favor of basic minimum facility & rights (/taxonomy/term/1990) for the working journalists and other media employees of Assam. Mahanta also led various media persons' organizations like Journalists' Forum Assam, Journalist (/taxonomy/term/2160) Action Committee, All Assam Media Employees Federation etc till his untimely demise.

An active member of prestigious Guwahati Press Club, Mahanta was a regular attendant to the celebrations of both Independence Day and Republic Day at the club premises, which have been initiated by the media fraternity to pay homage to the martyrs of India (/taxonomy/term/2367)'s freedom struggle even defying the diktat of armed militants since 1998. The amount of money has already been handed over (/taxonomy/term/2166) to Mahanta's bereaved family, which was acknowledged with heartiest thanks from the family. The Guwahati Press Club has also appreciated the gesture of Satyam Foundation.



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