

JFA expresses shock at another scribe's murder



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[Journalists'](#) Forum Assam ([JFA](#)) expressed utter shock at the murder of another journalist in the country within a fortnight. The Assam based media [rights](#) body [demands](#) proper investigation into the murder of Karthigai Selvan, a Tamil Nadu based scribe, was hacked to death by the goons at Sattur locality on 9 January.

Selvan (40), who worked for Tamil magazine titled Naveena Netrikkan, left behind his wife and two sons. He becomes the second [victims](#) till date this year [as India](#) lost Brajesh Kumar Singh (28) to assailants in Samastipur locality of Bihar on 3 January last.

The largest democracy in the globe lost six journalists last year, whereas the populous country witnessed the murder of five & two journalists respectively in 2015 & 2014. [India](#) lost 11 journalists to the perpetrators in 2013 including three newspaper employees from [Tripura](#).

The [JFA](#), while apprehending that [India](#) would slip to a worst place for working journalists if the frequency of journalist's murder cases continues, also reiterated its old demand for a national action plan to safeguard the media persons and ensure justice to the victim families.

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