

Journalist Dilwar Hussain Mazumdar Arrested in Guwahati, Sparks Outrage



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The Assam Police have arrested senior digital media journalist **Dilwar Hussain Mazumdar** in Guwahati's Panbazar, triggering widespread criticism. Allegations suggest that he was arrested after attempting to question Assam Co-operative Apex Bank's Managing Director **Dambaru Saikia** regarding a multi-crore recruitment scam.

Sequence of Events:

- The **National Youth Power**, a youth wing associated with the Assam Jatiya Parishad (AJP),** was protesting against the alleged scam in the bank.
- Journalist Dilwar Hussain Mazumdar arrived at the bank premises to cover the protest.
- He attempted to question the bank's Managing Director about the scam.
- Later, the police summoned him to the **Panbazar Police Station** and subsequently arrested him.

Reactions:

The **Guwahati Press Club** strongly condemned the arrest, calling it an attack on press freedom. The club has announced a **protest meeting at 11 AM** today to voice their opposition.

Key Points to Note:

- The **Director of Assam Co-operative Apex Bank** is **Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma**.
- The **Chairman of the bank** is **MLA Biswajit Phukan**.
- **The arrested journalist is also the Joint Secretary of the Guwahati Press Club.**

The arrest has drawn criticism from various media and civil rights organizations, raising concerns about press freedom and the rights of journalists in Assam.

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