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Journalist Attacked & Threatened

The Federation of Nepali Journalists (FNJ) is seriously concerned about incidents of journalists who were attacked and threatened in different regions of Nepal.

Subash Chandra Sah, Bara-based correspondent for Rajdhani Daily, Radio Nepal and publisher of Namaste Times daily, was attacked by an unidentified group at 6:30 pm at his room in Kalaiya, Bara (Central Region of Nepal) on 13 April 2012.

The journalist sustained some injuries on his body and is receiving treatment at Narayani Sub regional Hospital, in Bara.

Similarly, Rajendra Adhikari, Editor and Publisher of Dawn news daily, and photojournalist Bandhuram Parajuli from the same daily were threatened by Gundaraj Shrestha 'Min' activist of an UCPN Maoist affiliated labour union over a published report. The incident occurred at Pokhara, Kaski (western region of Nepal) on 13 April 2012.

Shrestha called up the newspaper office and threatened to kill the two journalists if they don't stop carrying news against the transportation syndicate.

The FNJ strongly condemns the incident. FNJ requests the government to take strong action against the guilty and improve the security system for the journalist.

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