

Journalism becoming deadlier

Journalism is becoming an increasingly dangerous profession. This is according to the media organization reporters without borders (RSF).in a statement made on may 3, world press freedom day ,RSF reported that 53 correspondents were killed last year .this makes 2004 the deadliest year for the reporters since 1995.Most of the journalists were murdered by people who did not want them to report the news.RSF released an ``Enemies of Press Freedom Black List” on its website to “name all those who have personally committed crimes or grave offences against journalists”.

Unsurprisingly, Iraq was world’s most dangerous country for journalists. A total of 56 reporters have been killed there in two years, compared with 49 deaths during the 1991-1995 wars in Yugoslavia. Vietnam is the costliest war: a total of 63 journalists were killed, but that was over a 20 –year period from 1955 to 1975. Asia is the second deadliest place to report from, with sixteen journalist deaths last year.RSF put their spotlight on three countries where news reporting proved to be fatal for journalists-Bangladesh, Philippines and Sri Lanka.

1-TRUE/FALSE: look at the articles headline and guess whether these sentences are true **(T)** or false **(F)**:

- a. Journalists around the world are facing ever more increasing dangers T/F.**(True)**
- b. Last year was the deadliest year ever for correspondents. T/F.**(True)**
- c. Most journalists are killed in wars. T/F.**(False)**
- d. Many people put journalists in graves. T/F.**(False)**
- e. Somalia was cited as world’s most dangerous country for journalists. T/F.**(True)**
- f. Vietnam is the costliest war in terms of journalist deaths. T/F.**(True)**
- g. Asia is the second deadliest place in the world to report from. T/F.**(True)**
- h. News reporting is dangerous in Bangladesh, Philippines and Sri Lanka. T/F.**(True)**

2-PHRASE MATCH: match the following phrases from the article (sometimes more than one combination is possible):

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| a. An increasingly | 1-Freedom | a→5 |
| b. The deadliest year | 2-20-year period | b→7 |
| c. Press | 3-Of 63 journalists were killed | c→1 |
| d. Committed | 4-Fatal | d→6 |
| e. The world’s | 5-Dangerous profession | e→8 |
| f. A total | 6-Crimes | f→3 |
| g. Over a | 7-Since 1995 | g→2 |
| h. Proved to be | 8-Most dangerous country | h→4 |