

Express with Ease: Students Speak.

Media Trials in India: Is there a need to regulate the Press?

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*Main
Takeaway*

Media is seen as an incarnation of a public's court. A blot of ink from a journalist's pen is a bullet from a soldier's gun. Chaos commences from a misjudgment.

Introduction

In India, trial by media has assumed significant proportions. Some famous criminal cases that would have gone unpunished but for the intervention of media are the Priyadarshini Mattoo case, Jessica Lal case, Nitish Katara murder case, and Bijal Joshi rape case. The media, however, drew criticism in the reporting of the murder of Aarushi Talwar and currently in the ongoing matter pertaining to actor Sushant Singh Rajput. In the latest episode of VUTV, we hear from the youth what they feel about "Media Trials in India: Is there a need to regulate the press". In this discussion moderated by Ms. Kritika Padode, we were joined by Ms. Sakina Liyakat, Ms. Ruth Rose Lalu, Mr. Manav Bansal & Mr. Hussain Ali Attarwala.

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Takeaway **Learnings**

- Journalism is at risk the minute media becomes biased.
- Trials by media have become a primary cause of discrimination. Aggressive and explosive content on-air repeatedly nominates us to uphold it.
- Consumers, too, must remember that their access to the right information is often just a click away.
- Debates by news anchors forget that the public often does not express their opinions on shows but develops it.
- Sensationalism of news is a result of competition and who breaks the news first, without fact-checks.
- People can make a conscious effort in tuning out negative or exhaustive information.
- Authenticity and credibility have deteriorated over the years. Media banned from publishing the truth is now being promoted for empty news.
- Media should acknowledge its responsibility for the conscious moulding of public opinion.
- If the content is the fire, then journalism and media are the gasoline.
- Consumer education in terms of media consumption is needed.
- Similarly, stringent rules need to be implemented to pull back media from the fine line between Articles 19 and 21.

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