
SAMAA team attacked, vehicle torched in Orangi Town

—Governor and CM take notice, order inquiry

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KARACHI: The media team of Samaa TV was attacked and their vehicle was set on fire near Kati Pahari in Orangi Town on Thursday.

Sindh Governor Dr. Ishratul Ibad Khan and Sindh Chief Minister Syed Qaim Ali Shah took notice of the incident and ordered an inquiry.

According to details, some armed men attacked Samaa's team including reporter Ghayasud Din, cameraman Faisal Agahi and driver in Orangi Town; however, they took cover and reported the incident to the Samaa TV's man-

agement.

The media team went to Orangi Town for coverage of a sting operation by the Anti-Car Lifting Cell. When they arrived in Orangi Town accompanied with five vehicles of the law enforcers, they received intense firing from all the sides. The ACLC personnel reportedly took to heel, leaving the Samaa team in lurch after firing.

All three media personnel took refuge in a house. Meanwhile, the assailants took the TV Channel's vehicle to the main crossing in the area and set it ablaze. On the other hand, the Karachi Union of Journalists called an emergency meeting at the Karachi Press Club

(KPC). The Khyber Union of Journalists condemned the attack on media team. Protest demonstrations were also staged outside the Lahore Press Club (LPC), Faisalabad Press Club (FPC), Multan Press Club (MPC), Quetta Press Club (QPC) and in Mirpur Azad Kashmir. KUJ Secretary Hasan Abbas condemned the attack. The PFUJ, RFUJ and All Pakistan Journalists in Mirpur Azad Kashmir demanded the government to ensure freedom of press. The Presidents of the PFUJ and the RFUJ condemned the attack in strong words. The Balochistan Union of Journalists also raised their voice against the attack.
