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Tamil Journalist reported missing in Jaffna.

International Association of Tamil Journalists (IATAJ) voiced deep concern about the Tamil Journalist Mr. Subramaniam Ramachandran (37) father of two, working as Vadamaratchi correspondent for Yarl Thinakkural and Valampuri since 2001 has gone missing in Jaffna. Yarl Thinakkural and Valampuri are two dailies published in war ravaged northern peninsula Jaffna in Sri Lanka.

Alarming acts of violence against journalists and human rights activists are taking place in areas controlled by the government," the press freedom organisation said. "Everything must be done to locate and save Ramachandran

He is reported missing since 15th evening February 2007. IATAJ is afraid that his life maybe in danger as retaliatory killings and abductions are reported in Jaffna almost daily basis.

IATAJ appeals to whomever responsible for this disappearances release or handover him to police authorities immediately. IATAJ urge the government to look into this matter as it is government duty to protect the lives of its people.

Best Regards,

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