According to UNESCO, between 2006 and 2014, the perpetrators have gone free. Exposing corruption among powerful actors expressing opinions on sensitive issues reporting on organised crime made their response public online. Those in red have never responded to a request from UNESCO as of the end of 2014.

Breaking it down

Freedom of expression and fundamental rights are lost.

The UNESCO Director General’s report on the safety of journalists and the danger of impunity will be released 2 November 2016.

Who is targeted?

Foreign local

629

41

639

Female

Male

What's the result?

680 journalists have been killed

FOREIGN

LOCAL

629

41

639

Female

Male

Why are they targeted?

What happens if no one is punished?

Who is targeted?

What is impunity a problem in?

Where is impunity a problem?

UNESCO holds states to account

What next?

No Impunity

2 November marks the United Nations International Day to end impunity for crimes against journalists.

On this day, demand accountability.

The quality of responses vary greatly.

Break it down

Each year, UNESCO documents cases of journalists killed and asks States to report on what they are doing to bring the killers to justice.

Shocking statistics:

In 9 out of 10 cases, only 13 states responded.

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Where is impunity a problem?

The role of journalism is diminished.

People are afraid to speak up.

Self-censorship becomes the norm.

Issues critical to the public interest go unreported.

Women face unique threats including sexual and gender-based violence.

Western Europe and North America

Most dangerous places to be a journalist.

JOURNALISTS KILLED BY REGION

2016

ARAB STATES

AFRICA

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

WORLD

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