

# **JOURNALISM**

## **What is Journalism?**

“Journalism means writing for newspapers and magazines”

People have an inborn desire to know what is Novel or News. This curiosity is satisfied by the journalists through their writings in the newspapers and journals on current affairs and News.

## **Definitions:**

Eric Hodgins of Time Magazine: Journalism is conveying of Information from here to there with accuracy, insight in such a manner that the truth is served.

According to websters third international Dictionary, The collection and editing of material of current interest for presentation, publication or broadcast.

The word Journalism is derived from a word journal which means a daily register or a diary.

Journalism means, “the communication of information regarding the events of a day through written words, sounds or pictures”.

In the modern age, press is called the “Fourth Estate”. It enjoys very important place in society and plays a very vital role in the democracy.

## **History of Journalism:**

Undoubtedly the history of Journalism is Mosely linked to the development of printing press. The credit for the invention of art of printing goes to Chinese. It is said that the Chinese were the first to use the moveable types for printing press. Newspaper was first of all manufactured in China. The first Book was also printed by Chinese in 868 A.D. The Chinese had developed the moveable types for printing press between the 9th and 11th century. In 15th century Johzn Gutenberg, a goldsmith of Mainz developed a moveable type.

## **In Europe:**

The Knowledge of the art of printing spread to the west from China. In the middle of the 16th century, morning newspaper took shape in Europe.

## **In Subcontinent:**

In 1550 the Jesuits brought the first printing press to India. News writing in the shape of News Letters and News Sheets started during the Mughal Period. Prior important announcements were made through Drum Beaters. Pigeon Service and appointment of reporters in the form of “waqai navees” were important source of conveying information and News. The first attempt to start a newspaper in Calcutta was made by Mr. one William Bolts. But in reality James Augustus Hickey started the first Newspaper “The Bengal Gazette”. The first Urdu newspaper of the Sub-continent was the “Jame-i-Jahan Numan” which came out in 1882 from Calcutta.

In the Beginning only religious books were published in Portuguese, Tamil and Malayalam.

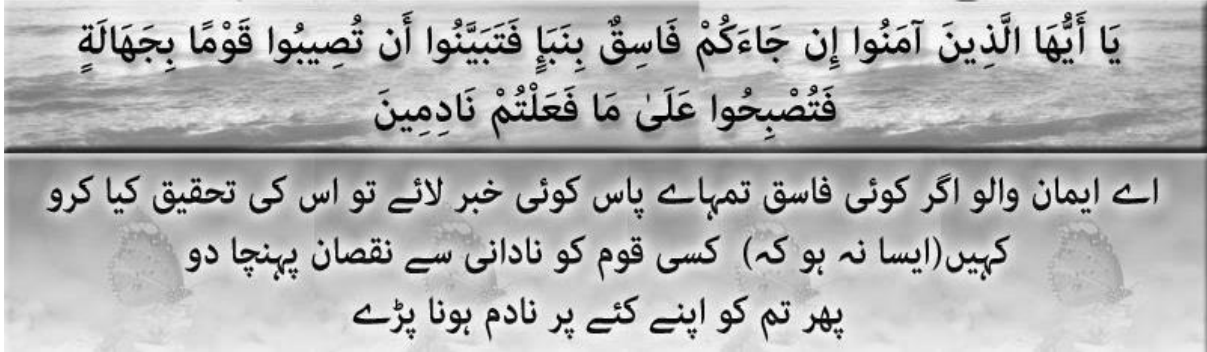
## **ISLAMIC PERSPECTIVE IN JOURNALISM**

The 1st duty of press is to preach the teachings of Islam. Islamic Communication gives the lesson to spread well doing, truth and universality. Islam Wants to formulate a pious and good society so Islamic communication system should abided by some ideal rules and regulation.

- Protection from false rumor and news.
- Information should be based upon truth.
- Press should follow basic values and morality.
- Press/Media should not print or disseminate such news and information that can create confusion and anarchy in society.
- Media should spread truth and vision.
- Press/Media should avoid social and religious hurting as Allah says in **Quran**.



- Islamic Media should avoid to spread or promote obscenity.
- Press/Media should not print something without Investigation.



- Islamic Communication system can give the right of criticism and Freedom of Expression but with sense of responsibility.
- Media Persons should keep the sense of Accountability.