

Aliyas Dayee

Journalist and Civil Activist

Date of Birth: November 8, 1984

Date of Assassination: November 12, 2020

Place of Assassination: Helmand Province

Person/Group Responsible for Assassination: Unknown Group

Life and Education

Aliyas Dayee, a dedicated journalist who studied in this field and was recognized by his peers as a "Fearless Journalist" was born in Helmand province. Alongside his work with media outlets such as Radio Azadi, Dayee was also involved in civil activism. He gained a strong reputation both in the media and among the public. On November 12, 2020, while on his way to work, a magnetic bomb attached to his car detonated, resulting in his assassination. He is survived by a daughter.

Activities

Beyond his journalism work at Radio Azadi and other local media, Aliyas Dayee was committed to civil activism, particularly in encouraging youth, especially girls, to pursue education, sports, and media careers. He worked closely with young people, helping them participate in local and national conferences and workshops.

Challenges During His Activism

According to BBC reports, citing Sediqullah Tawhidi, head of the Advocacy Section of the Afghan Journalists Safety Committee, Aliyas Dayee had faced threats for four years before being targeted. Due to these threats, the Afghan Journalists Safety Committee called him and other journalists to Kabul a year before his assassination. After the situation seemed to improve, he returned to Helmand. Tawhidi noted that "influential individuals" were unhappy with Dayee's reports on the ongoing conflict in the volatile Helmand Province.

Awards and Honors

In 2017, Aliyas Dayee was honored with the "Brave Journalist of Afghanistan" award by the Kabul Press Club, an organization dedicated to supporting journalists. He also received several commendations from local authorities in Helmand, including the Governor's Office, the Directorate of Women's Affairs, and the Directorate of Information and Culture.

Memories and Quotes



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A Note from Aliyas Dayee on the Occasion of Afghanistan's Independence day

Photos and Notes

Dayee's Facebook Post on Developments in Lashkargah city of Helmand



دغازې محمد ايوب خان مېنه . مخ پر پراختيا ده. هلمند لښکرګاه عکس دشپې.

See translation



Aspirations and Goals

Aliyas Dayee was driven by a desire to shed light on the insecurity in Helmand Province, aiming to draw attention from both authorities and the global community. His dreams included establishing peace in Afghanistan and contributing to the reconstruction of Helmand. As a civil and media activist, one of his key objectives was to create educational opportunities for young people. Through his reporting on the war and terrorist activities in Helmand, Dayee sought to bring about positive changes in the province. However, his commitment to this cause subjected him to years of threats and pressure, ultimately costing him his life. Tragically, he did not live to see his aspirations fulfilled.

Reactions to the Assassination

After his assassination, there were some reports and official statements from government and local authorities, but no significant action was taken, and the perpetrators were never brought to justice.

Links

Here are some of the links to the news about the assassination of Aliyas Dayee:

- 1. https://da.azadiradio.com/amp/30943794.html
- 2. https://www.bbc.com/persian/afghanistan-54914798

Case Status

On the third anniversary of Aliyas Dayee's assassination, Radio Azadi reported that no group had claimed responsibility for his murder, and investigations had led nowhere. The previous Afghan government had promised to arrest and punish those responsible, but no one was publicly held accountable. Although a suspect was arrested, Dayee's family expressed doubts about the individual's involvement in the crime.