

Journalists targeted in run-up to Egyptian elections

When Egyptians went to the polls on Monday, several journalists and bloggers were still nursing bruises and broken limbs after the crackdown on the media in the lead up to the elections. Others remained in jail. Seems the country's current military rulers are no better than the Mubarak regime - certainly not in their treatment of the press, particularly female journalists.

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Egypt's elections have had their share of uncertainty: the recent surge of protests in Tahrir square and doubts about whether the military junta is all that ready to cede power. But throughout the lead up to the first elections since Hosni Mubarak was toppled from power in February, one thing has remained a constant: the harassment and brutality directed at journalists.

On 21 November the Committee to Protect Journalists reported that at least 17 journalists had been assaulted by security forces over the preceding weekend, according to the secretary-general of the Egyptian Press syndicate. The attacks took place both in Tahrir Square in Cairo and Alexandria.

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