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## Press Freedom BAROMETER

2005

<b>63</b>	<b>Journalists killed</b>
	Journalists killed in: - 2004 (53) - 2003 (40) - 2002 (25)
<b>5</b>	Media assistants killed
<b>126</b>	Journalists imprisoned
<b>3</b>	Media assistants imprisoned
<b>70</b>	Cyberdissidents imprisoned

### PHILIPPINES - 7 journalist(s) killed

#### Roberto Ramos, *Katapat*

Roberto Ramos of *Katapat*, a newspaper based in Laguna, southeast of Manila, was shot dead on 20 November 2005

Ramos was at the side of a road near his newspaper in Cabuyao (about 100 km southeast of Manila) yesterday when two men on a motorcycle stopped next to him and one of them shot him twice in the head with a .38 pistol, killing him instantly. Manila-based Radio DZRH said he had exposed a number of illegal rackets, mostly involving gambling and prostitution.

On 1 December, police arrested two suspects who allegedly confessed to killing Ramos because he had written about their trafficking in pirated DVDs.

#### Other cases

- ▲ 24 03 2005 - **Marlene Garcia Esperat**, *Midland Review*
- ▲ 2 02 2005 - **Edgar Amoro**, *Radio DXKP*
- ▲ 4 05 2005 - **Klein Cantoneros**, *DXAA*
- ▲ 10 05 2005 - **Philip Agustin**, *Starline Times Recorder*
- ▲ 3 07 2005 - **Rolando "Dodong" Morales**, *DXMD*
- ▲ 1er 12 2005 - **George Benaogan**, *DYDD Bantay Radio*