

Delhi scribe dies in road accident

Palash Kumar, a New Delhi-based journalist with the Asian Age newspaper, died Saturday in Rajasthan following a road accident that left his wife and child seriously injured, the police said.

Palash Kumar, 37, and his wife Manisha and their five-year-old daughter Mallika were going to the Sariska wildlife sanctuary when a truck hit the journalist's car in Alwar district, a police control room spokesman told IANS.

Manisha and Mallika suffered serious injuries, the spokesman said, and were in a hospital in Alwar.

The accident happened around 10.45 a.m. in Papri area near Kishangarh. 'It was a head-on collision,' a police official said from Alwar town. Palash Kumar, who has also worked for Reuters and AFP, was driving the car.

The police said another child, identified as Gayatri, was also travelling with the family and was also injured. 'We are trying to find out whether she is a family friend's daughter,' the spokesman said.

'Palash Kumar died while being operated upon,' a doctor at the Vinayak Lifeline hospital said.

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