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To,
The Editor,

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Respected Sir/Madam,

Sub: Press Statement condemning the murder of Prof. M.M.Kalburgi

We are deeply shocked at the barbaric murder of Prof. M. M. Kalburgi, an erudite scholar, renowned researcher and an authority on Vachana literature by two miscreants at his residence in Dharwad yesterday.

His daughter Roopadarshi has clarified that there has been 'no family feuds that might have led to the killing'. A few sources have said that the killing of Dr. Kalburgi have similarities with the murder of Dr. Narendra Dabolkar in Maharashtra. Immediately after the killing, a Bajranj Dal activist has tweeted a death threat to another scholar as reported in the media. These incidents strengthen the suspicion that intolerance to that ideas of Dr. Kalburgi could be the reason for this heinous killing which is completely unacceptable in any democratic society.

We express our deep sorrow and condolence at the unnatural death of a scholar who contributed immensely to our understanding of Kannada literature, particularly 'Vachana Sahitya' and we urge the government to arrest the miscreants immediately and conduct an impartial probe to reveal the truth.

Thanking you,

Yours' sincerely,

(G.Sathish Kumar)

Convenor, Karnataka State Committee