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**Bio sketch:**

A broadcast journalist, Raman has hosted live television and radio programmes with the BBC and domestic broadcasters – TV Today, Doordarshan and All India Radio. As a host for a variety of programmes – ranging from elections to union budgets – Raman has interviewed celebrities and common people alike.

While working with mainstream national and international media, including reportage on diplomacy, war, elections and riots, Raman felt, as he puts it, “difficult to describe but an ever increasing sense of unease within myself” about mainstream professional journalism. That led him towards ‘journalistic social entrepreneurship’ in the form of setting up a new media company, Media Arc, credited with setting up India’s first independent Internet radio station.

His journalistic voyage has taken him to issues religious and spiritual as in a month of webcasting from the banks of Ganges during the Mahakumbh 2001-2 and setting up community radio stations in Afghanistan (2003). His latest involvement: training school children in broadcasting and communication skills, community radio and projects that seek to set up new Internet/FM broadcasting opportunities for educational institutions.