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An exceptional and prominent software engineer died at his age of about 46 in May 2023. Recently I visited his blogs and read some of his posts on Twitter. He had written a substantial number of blogs on programming which helped me a lot. Unfortunately, he passed away in his forties; that alarmed many of his peers who were working hard all day long. As far as I know, he had developed heart disease long before he died. Whereas, he seemed not to very care about his health because his friend said he even waited until midnight for the release of ChatGPT. Unfortunately, his enthusiasm for technology killed him.

Two years ago when I took business with my supervisor who had worked in a giant IT company in China, he told me a story about his former colleague who was aslo talented and could tackled all the issues in a team and tragically died of a kind of illness in brain. It was a pity to hear the sad news. On the contrary, seldom had I heard about that any foreign developers passed away due to huge pressure from their jobs. Perhaps they care about themselves and lead a work-life-balance life.

More and more wokers realised that healthy was the priority and were reluctant to work overtime. In a country where labour law was not observed we, employees, had to take much more care about ourselves. Apparentlly, if we were terminally ill, our families would suffer excruciating pain and lead a deprived life after our death. Presumably, as a breadwinnder, man should earn salary to support his family, but he should do it in an healthy and sustainable way.