

Tuition teacher, 55-year-old man arrested in 2 rape cases



Surat: Two separate offences of rape were registered in Surat city on Monday. In one case, a 16-year-old girl was allegedly raped by her tuition teacher who also works with a Hazira-based multi-national company (MNC). The second case was of a 23-year-old woman with learning disability who was allegedly raped multiple times over the past year by her father's friend aged 55 years. The woman is currently pregnant. In both cases, the

accused have been arrested and are being questioned. Ichhapore police arrested Arun Verma (37), who works as a deputy manager with an MNC, for allegedly raping a Class 12 student who took tuition from him. Verma taught her English language along with other subjects. According to police, Verma allegedly lured the girl with a job offer and took her to his house where he raped her. "Verma is separated from his wife. He also made

a video of the act and also shared it with his friend. The girl's family came to know about the incident after Verma shared the video," said a police officer. In the second case, police arrested 55-year-old Navin Dawara for allegedly raping his friend's 23-year-old daughter. The woman is now six months pregnant. Police said that after a medical examination, the doctors concluded that abortion was not possible at this stage. Police said that Dawara used to rape the woman when she was alone at home. "DNA from the fetus will be taken to ascertain who is the father of the child," said a police officer. The second case was of a 23-year-old woman with learning disability who was allegedly raped multiple times over the past year by her father's friend aged 55 years. The woman is currently pregnant.

Expedite bail hearings: Gujarat high court instructs magistrates



AHMEDABAD: The Gujarat high court on Tuesday mandated the lower judiciary, especially judicial magistrates and court staff, for immediate hearing of bail applications once they are presented at judge's residence on holidays or late on working days.

A circular issued by the HC reads, "Concrete efforts should be made by all concerned to ensure that no bail application is delayed in hearing or disposal for the reason of any CIS (Central Information System) registration formalities."

The HC issued guidelines for quick registration and hearing of bail pleas when they are presented beyond court hours, particularly at a judge's residence. The circular is for quick registration of bail applications at Central Filing Centre and for forwarding them to the court concerned instantly. Deployment of adequate staff is mandated for registration of bail applications. It says that when a bail application is presented before the judge at his residence or on holidays, the judge must proceed quickly without delay. The formalities regarding registration of bail plea and feeding information in CIS should be done on the next working day.

CRAFTED PLATINUM LOVE BANDS THAT REFLECT MODERN LOVE



AHMEDABAD: As the summer approaches, it rings in the summer wedding season as couples commit to the love they share. It's a time when two individuals commit to each other, having gone through a journey of finding each other and discovering what makes their relationship special. Relationships based on compassion, respect, equality, and friendship deserve a rare and precious metal to commemorate their first steps towards a lifetime of togetherness and commitment. Platinum, with its celestial origin and timeless nature, represents the resilience that defines the bond shared by these couples. Patis Platinum Love Bands season's collection captures the essence of modern love, where partners respect each other's individuality, celebrate each other's accomplishments, and share responsibilities equally, beyond roles and gender. This collection speaks to a younger and evolved audience that seeks to mark their special moments with unique and meaningful love bands that embody their new-age relationships' values. The design narrative of the collection is unique, with motifs representing support and commitment, dual-toned fluid lines symbolizing togetherness, and intersecting patterns signifying mutual respect. (1-7)

AHMEDABAD: Air fares have skyrocketed, and hotels have gotten more expensive, raising holiday package costs by a good 40%. This is not deterring globetrotters from Gujarat who are intent on taking a vacation this summer and travel companies' cash registers are ringing away. Estimates from travel agents and tour operators suggest that summer vacation bookings are up by 30% this year, for domestic and international travel. "Airlines to Europe and the US have nearly doubled. For other sectors airfares have risen by 40% to 60%. Hotel tariffs have also shot up. Yet, demand persists. Traction for Europe is very high this time, even while packages have become costlier," said Manish Sharma, chairman of the Gujarat Federation of the Travel Agents' Chapter of India (TAFI). This summer, travellers are flocking to places such as Europe, the US, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, Vietnam, Cambodia, Mauritius, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand for international holidays. Scandinavian countries, Eastern Europe and Turkey are also preferred destinations. In India, northern destinations such as Jammu and Kashmir, Ladakh, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand are a hit. People are also flocking to north-eastern states for summer holidays. Industry estimates show that the summer travel industry in Gujarat - domestic

Air fare, hotel cost up 40%, but travel sentiment upbeat for globetrotters from Gujarat



and international - is worth at least Rs 2,500 crore. "Bookings would have been far higher if there were no visa delays. Currently, people who want to travel to Europe or the US are finding it difficult to get visa appointments in time," said Anuj Pathak, president of the Tour Operators' and Travel Agents' Association of Gujarat (TAG). "One client who is scheduled to travel on April 25, has yet to get their visa appointment for Europe," he added. The rush is so high that hotels at many popular domestic destinations are fully booked. "Travellers are finding it difficult to find hotels as most three-star and above properties are fully booked. Though customers are willing to pay more, availability is a problem," said Ankit Bajaj, the owner of an Ahmedabad-based travel company. Estimates from travel agents and tour operators suggest that summer vacation bookings are up by 30% this year, for domestic and international travel. "Airlines to Europe and the US have nearly doubled. For other sectors airfares have risen by 40% to 60%."

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Gujarat high court asks govt to respond to PIL on sewer deaths

AHMEDABAD: The Gujarat high court on Tuesday asked the state government to file an affidavit regarding the deaths of sanitation workers who were made to enter sewers, and on compensation paid to their kin.

The bench of acting Chief Justice A J Desai and Justice Biren Vaishnav sought the government's response to an application seeking express directions that no sanitation worker be made to enter a manhole, and to employ mechanized systems to clean sewers.

The PIL was filed a few years ago by an NGO, Manav Garima, demanding proper implementation of orders prohibiting manual scavenging, as the central government enacted a law to put an end to such inhuman working conditions decades ago.

Advocate S H Iyer submitted that even while the PIL was pending, many people died after being made to enter manholes. Three deaths have occurred after he filed an application demanding an urgent hearing. While people have died, compensation has not been paid despite express directions that the Supreme Court, for Rs 10 lakh to be paid to the kin of such workers.

Iyer also complained that mandatory provisions of the law regarding registration of FIRs and acting against such employers are not properly followed in.

Seeking directions for criminal action against those responsible, he apprised the court of a case of sewer deaths in Rajkot, where a co-worker of the deceased was named as the accused in the FIR. The co-worker, in fact, had tried to save the deceased and drowned in the attempt.

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Ahmedabad Metro Phase II trial run likely in June

GANDHINAGAR: The trial run of Phase II of the Ahmedabad metro project, which will connect Ahmedabad with Gandhinagar, the state capital, is expected to start in June or July this year. According to top sources in the Gujarat Metro Rail Corporation, work on the last stretch of Phase II is currently on. The stretch connecting Sector 1 in Gandhinagar to Mahatma Mandir in Corridor 1 is yet to be completed while work on Corridor 2 of the second phase is over.

Corridor 1 will cover a distance of 22.8km from Motera stadium to Mahatma Mandir, while Corridor 2 will cover 5.4km from GNLU to GIFT City. The two corridors comprise Phase II of the Ahmedabad metro rail project which will cover 28.2km and have 22 stations. Sources said the remaining portion of Corridor 1 will pass from near the Sachivalaya, Akshardham, Sector 16, and end at Mahatma Mandir.

Officials said that the trial run on 20.8km of Phase II of the project is expected in June or July this year, while the trial run on the remaining 7.4-km stretch from Sector 1 to Mahatma Mandir is likely to be conducted in December. "We expect to conduct trial runs of Phase II of the Ahmedabad metro project by June or July this year. Once the trial runs are over and the necessary infrastructure is ready, the metro rail connecting Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar, along with GIFT City, is likely to become operational within a few months," the official said. Phase II of the project is expected to cost Rs 5,384 crore. The work on the second phase of the project began in January 2021.

Dust pollution sensors to be made mandatory at construction sites in Ahmedabad?



AHMEDABAD: All construction sites in the city will now be required to install dust pollution measuring sensors that will provide real time data to the civic body for monitoring. This was necessitated after dust pollution (chiefly PM10 or particles with

diameters of 10 micrometres or less) from such sites has given Ahmedabad the dubious distinction of being among the worst six cities in the country on this parameter since 2017-18, according to data provided by the ministry of environment and forests in the recent Lok Sabha session. "The new policy mandates that sensors are installed at the cost of the developer with real time data access to the AMC control room," said a senior official of the town planning department. Between January

2021 and November 2022, according to the Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation, 452 construction sites were active in the city. The AMC found there were 128 sites where construction was on over 5,000 square metres or less, 244 covering areas between 5,000 and 20,000 square metres and 70 covering 20,000 to 50,000 square metres. While these sites were adding floors, complaints from residents were logging the AMC-CCRS complaint redress system.

Loudspeakers at mosques: Gujarat govt ordered to reply

AHMEDABAD: The Gujarat high court on Wednesday ordered the state government to file a reply over a PIL seeking a ban on the use of loudspeakers for reciting azan in mosques.

The bench of Acting Chief Justice A J Desai and Justice Biren Vaishnav sought a reply from the state government on the issue by June 12 and posted further hearing on June 19. This happened after advocate D G Shukla, who appears for Bajrang Dal leader Shaktisinh Zala, complained that the high court had sought a reply from the government on this PIL last year, but there has been no response from the government.

Dr Dharmendra Prajapati, who runs a hospital in Sector 5C in Gandhinagar, filed a PIL in January 2022, complaining that the muzzin at the mosque in his neighbourhood uses loudspeaker five times a day to recite azan though not many persons turn up to offer prayers. He further claimed that loudspeakers caused great inconvenience and disturbance for people living nearby. He contended that people have a right to peace and tranquillity and demanded a prohibition on loudspeakers in mosques across the state.

Ahmedabad woman throws baby from 9th floor

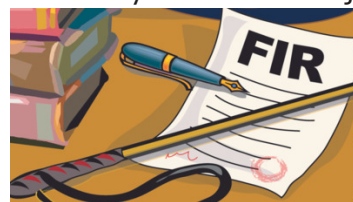
AHMEDABAD: A 25-year-old woman killed her newborn child by throwing it from the toilet window of her house on the ninth floor of an apartment in Chandkheda on Wednesday morning.

Police said Shivani Jaishwal, a resident of Skywalk Apartment, delivered the baby boy in the bathroom of her house around 8am on Wednesday. The woman, who works with a tour operator in the city, killed the baby to escape the stigma of being an unmarried mother, said police officers. Jaishwal has been arrested for murder and destruction of evidence.

Chandkheda Inspector V S Vanzara said she had returned from an official tour to Tashkent in Uzbekistan on Tuesday. "Jaishwal returned as her three-month visa was coming to an end. She told cops she was unaware that she was pregnant. Late Tuesday, she experienced abdominal pain and felt the urge to urinate frequently," said Vanzara. He added, "Jaishwal said she began bleeding severely on Wednesday morning. She wrote off the bleeding as a menstrual period not having had her periods for several months. Around 8am, she went to the toilet, where she delivered the baby. She removed one of the glass slats from the jalousie window in the toilet and threw out the newborn," he said.

Some residents of the flat found the baby's body and contacted the police. "During the investigation, we found blood spots on a foyer on the first floor where the newborn fell before dropping to the ground floor. When we checked the flats, we found blood stains on the outer wall of the toilet of Jaishwal's house," said Vanzara. Cops checked the houses and found blood stains inside Jaishwal's toilet.

FIR filed after man from scheduled caste community denied flat in Gujarat's Sargasan



AHMEDABAD: A man from a scheduled caste (SC) community, who is a lawyer and college professor, on Tuesday filed a complaint with Adalaj police, stating that a property developer refused to sell him an apartment in Sargasan saying they "do not sell houses to persons from SC communities".

Rajnikant Chauhan, 35, a resident of Sector 7 in Gandhinagar, said he practises in the Gujarat high court and teaches at Chaudhary College of Education in Sector 7. Chauhan said he came across a newspaper advertisement about a new housing scheme called Origin Heights in Sargasan. He went to the site and saw the flats on April 4 where a man named Hareesh Chaudhary was at the developer's office on the site. He said he finalized a

flat on the third floor. He said Hareesh asked him what his caste and profession were. Later that day Hareesh phoned Chauhan and told him that he would have to speak to one of the builders, Mahendra Chaudhary. When Chauhan contacted Mahendra, he said they do sell houses to SC persons but said he would speak to another partner, Amrat Patel. Chauhan also contacted Patel, but was told to speak to Mahendra only. After that Mahendra did not respond to Chauhan and they did not sell him a flat in the scheme. Chauhan approached Sector 7 police and filed a complaint against Mahendra for criminal intimidation under IPC along with charges under the Protection of Civil Rights Act and the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act.

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Notice for sale of Immovable assets
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, The Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of ICI Home Finance Company Ltd., will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is", as per the brief particulars given hereunder.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Legal Heirs. Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price/ Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Anil Kumar Yadav (Borrower) Yadav Shyamal Kailashprasad (Co-Borrower) Gyan Dev (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHSUR00001370862 & LHSUR0000136924	Plot No 192 Aaryya Residency Near Kallaprasad Village Udhna Patisana 55 Surat-394510	Rs. 12,04,637/- 15-04-2023	Rs. 7,30,458/- 73,046/-	05. 2023 11:30 AM - 03:00 PM	09, 2023 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM
2.	Ketan Gokulbhai Ranpariya (Borrower) Ranpariya Kiranjibhai Kantabhai (Co-Borrower) Rakesh Mansukhbhai Ranpariya (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHSUR0000135666	Plot No 146 Eignia Residency Kosmba Surat 1 Surat-394120	Rs. 11,52,907/- 15-04-2023	Rs. 7,45,038/- 74,504/-	05. 2023 11:00 AM - 03:00 PM	09, 2023 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM
3.	Mukeshkumar Namdeo Jadhav (Borrower) Aruna Mukeshbhai Jadhav (Co-Borrower) Loan Account No. LHSUR00001329249	Flat No E-106 1st Flr, Uttav Residency, Bldg E, Nr Dindoli Lake, B/R Ram Park Society, Dindoli Surat-394210	Rs. 20,61,381/- 15-04-2023	Rs. 17,70,336/- 1,77,034/-	05. 2023 11:00 AM - 03:00 PM	09, 2023 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM

The online auction will be conducted on website (URL Link-<https://BestAuctionDeal.com>) of our auction agency GlobeTech. The Mortgagee's notice is given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till May 08, 2023 before 5.00 PM else these secured assets will be sold as per above schedule.

The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) RTGS/ Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at ICI Home Finance Company Limited, 4th floor, 410, Milestone Vibrant, Opp. Apple Hospital, Udhna Darwaja, Surat-395002 on or before May 08, 2023 before 05.00 PM. Kindly note, in case prospective bidder(s) are unable to submit their offer as per above mentioned time then signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at ICI Home Finance Company Limited, 4th floor, 410, Milestone Vibrant, Opp. Apple Hospital, Udhna Darwaja, Surat-395002 on or before May 08, 2023 before 05.00 PM. Earnest Money Deposit Demand Draft (DD) should be from a Nationalized/Scheduled Bank in favor of "ICI Home Finance Company Ltd - Auction" payable at Surat.

For any further clarifications with regard to inspection, terms and conditions of the auction or submission of tenders, kindly contact ICI Home Finance Company Limited on 7021072869 or our Sales & Marketing Partner NexGen Solutions Private Limited.

The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit <https://www.icihfc.com>.

Date : April 22, 2023
Place : Surat

Authorized Officer
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How Gujarat gave fresh impetus to entrepreneurship

AHMEDABAD: In the 1970s, the state government's technician scheme with 100% finance and without collateral to promote small business ventures failed to take off. While there were many takers for it, the high failure rate made it unsustainable. What followed was the first exercise to understand what works for businesses and why. While Gujarat has been known for its business acumen and wealth generation for centuries, the exercise raised an interesting question: Can business or entrepreneurship be taught?

A book chronicling 40 years of Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII) tries to answer this question. Dr Sunil Shukla, the

director general of the institute, said that the exercise laid the foundation of entrepreneurship education in the state. The programme by the state government, with multiple stakeholders, gave Gujarat trained entrepreneurs with the participants, largely owner-managers, turning their knowledge into successful ventures. Vinod Agarwal, an Ahmedabad-based businessman and former CII Gujarat chairman, said that the late 1980s saw trained entrepreneurs starting their ventures in Gujarat with knowledge about international law and financing. S S Modi, a former GIDC official said, "Business clusters began taking shape in south Gujarat and Saurashtra. The 1991 reforms brought in another dimension with the domestic market opening up for global companies, whereas from the 2000s, one can see the shift towards services from conventional manufacturing," he said. What followed was the first exercise to understand what works for businesses and why. While Gujarat has been known for its business acumen and wealth generation for centuries, the exercise raised an interesting question: Can business or entrepreneurship be taught? Earlier, the entrepreneurs were in their late 30s with industry exposure. Today, college students in their 20s are launching startups. Financing has also become relatively easier.