

## SEX ABUSE CASE AGAINST PROFESSOR AT CHENNAI ACADEMY AFTER STUDENTS PROTEST

AROUND 90 STUDENTS HAD GIVEN A COMPLAINT TO THE STATE WOMEN'S COMMISSION CHIEF YESTERDAY. CHIEF MINISTER MK STALIN HAS ASSURED LEGAL ACTION AGAINST ANYONE FOUND GUILTY.

**Chennai:** The Chennai police have filed a case against an assistant professor of Chennai's Kalakshetra, a prestigious institution for classical arts, on a complaint of sexual harassment filed by a survivor, a former woman student. A case was filed against Hari Padman today, days after around 200 students, both women and men, started protesting, alleging sexual harassment, body-shaming and verbal abuse by this faculty member and three repertory artists. Earlier, the national commission for women had called these allegations a disinformation campaign. Around 90 students had given a complaint to the state women's commission chief yesterday. Chief Minister MK Stalin has assured legal action against anyone found guilty. The National Commission for Women had also dismissed the charges as baseless.

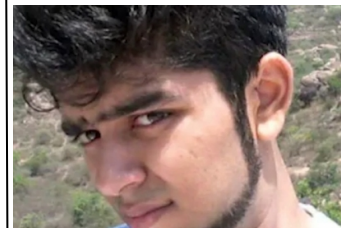
The students allege that they have faced years of sexual harassment, body-shaming, verbal abuse and discrimination based on their skin colour at Kalakshetra. They also allege that the administration has been indifferent and unresponsive to their complaints.

On Thursday, they wrote to the Union Culture Minister G Kishan Reddy and the Chief Minister MK Stalin, seeking the removal of Director Revathi Ramachandran for alleged inaction and the reconstitution of the internal complaints committee.

Kalakshetra Foundation, founded in 1936 by dancer Rukmini Devi Arundale, is an institute of national importance that offers courses in Bharatanatyam dance, Carnatic music and other traditional arts. It is known for its high standards of excellence and discipline and has produced many eminent artists over the decades.



## MEHRAULI MURDER: DELHI COURT DIRECTS AUTHORITIES TO ENSURE POONAWALA'S SAFETY



New Delhi, April 1: Counsel of Aaftab Amin Poonawala, who is accused of strangling his live-in partner Shradha Walkar to death, chopping her body into several pieces, storing them in a fridge before disposing of them in a forest over three months, on Friday complained in court that his client was "manhandled" during his production in court. As Additional Sessions Judge Manisha Khurana Kakkar heard the arguments on charges against the accused, she also directed the authorities concerned to ensure the safety of Poonawala.

"Lock-up in charge, Saket Court, as well as jail superintendent, are directed to ensure that the accused is produced safely during court productions," she said.

The Delhi Police had earlier told the court that incriminating circumstances are clearly revealed through reliable and clinching evidence and they form a chain of events.

Poonawala has been booked for the offences under the Indian Penal Code Sections 302 and 201 for murder and causing disappearance of evidence of offence, respectively.

The accused's counsel, on Friday, contended that Section 201 can be invoked only against the person who screens the offender and not against the person accused of the main offence.

## 'HE'S A PLEASURE TO WATCH': DHONI'S MILLION-DOLLAR PRAISE FOR CSK YOUNGSTER; HARDIK SAYS 'HE'LL DO WONDERS FOR INDIA'

ON FRIDAY, YOUNG CRICKETERS HAD PERFECT PLATFORM TO SHOW THEIR TALENT IN PRESENCE OF THE MS DHONI AND HARDIK PANDYA. AND THE CSK YOUNGSTER ROSE TO THE OCCASION

THE INDIAN PREMIER LEAGUE (IPL) HAS FOREVER BEEN A PLATFORM FOR YOUNG TALENTS TO NOT JUST RUB SHOULDERS WITH THE GREATS OF THE GAME, BUT ALSO PROVE THEIR METTLE WHICH COULD EVENTUALLY PAVE THEIR WAY INTO INTERNATIONAL CRICKET. ON FRIDAY, IN FRONT OF A PACKED NARENDRA MODI STADIUM FOR THE IPL 2023 OPENER, YOUNG CRICKETERS HAD THE PERFECT PLATFORM TO SHOW THEIR TALENT IN PRESENCE OF THE LEGENDARY MS DHONI AND ONE OF THE FUTURE LEADERS OF INDIAN CRICKET HARDIK PANDYA. RUTURAJ GAIKWAD ROSE TO THE OCCASION AND IT LED TO A MILLION-DOLLAR PRAISE FROM BOTH THE CAPTAINS.

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GAIKWAD SINGLE-HANDEDLY CARRIED CHENNAI SUPER KINGS ON FRIDAY IN THE MATCH AGAINST DEFENDING CHAMPIONS GUJARAT TITANS. HE SCORED 92 OFF 50 DELIVERIES, LACED WITH FOUR BOUNDARIES AND NINE SIXES BEFORE ALZARRI JOSEPH ENDED HIS BID TO A MUCH-DESERVING TON IN THE SEASON OPENER.

## STORMY DANIELS: WOMAN AT CENTER OF TRUMP INDICTMENT IS PORN STAR-TURNED...

Stormy Daniels, 44, is an author, director and media personality. Adult film star Stormy Daniels has built a lucrative business empire around her alleged 2006 sexual encounter with former President Donald Trump and earned legions of fans for her breezy retorts to those who cast her as an immoral woman.

Stormy Daniels, whose real name is Stephanie Clifford, is married to a fellow adult film star and has a young daughter. (REUTERS)

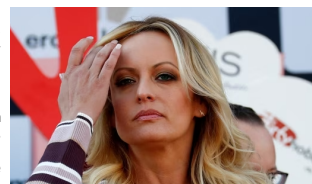
Her popularity and profits appeared to get a boost with the news of Trump's indictment on Thursday in a case involving a \$130,000 hush payment she received in the waning days of his 2016 election campaign.

"Thank you to everyone for your support and love!" she posted on Twitter after news of the criminal charges broke. "#Teamstormy merch/autograph orders are pouring in."

Daniels, 44, is an author, director and media personality. She launched her own reality TV show, "Spooky Babes", in which she searches haunted houses as a "paranormal investigator", and she once flirted with a U.S. Senate bid as a Democrat-turned-Republican.

When a Twitter user asked what "the whore" was doing one day this week, Daniels responded, "Not sure why you're curious but... Just fed my horse and mucked stalls, signing photos and #teamstormy shirts and mailing them, booking crew/location for a music video I'm directing, floating in my pool and then my live show."

"Basically the usual," she added.



## MUMBAI: JUMBO BLOCK BETWEEN CHURCHGATE AND MUMBAI CENTRAL STATIONS ON APRIL 2, CHECK DETAILS THE WESTERN RAILWAY SAID THAT THE JUMBO BLOCK WILL BE TAKEN UP BETWEEN CHURCHGATE AND MUMBAI CENTRAL STATIONS FROM 10:35 HRS TO 15:35 HRS ON SUNDAY



The Mumbai division of the Western Railway on Friday said that it will operate a jumbo block on Sunday, April 2.

In a statement, the Western Railway said that to carry out maintenance work of tracks, signaling and overhead equipment, a jumbo block of five hours will be taken on up and down slow lines between Churchgate and Mumbai Central (local) stations.

The Western Railway further said that the jumbo block will be taken up between Churchgate and Mumbai Central stations from 10:35 hrs to 15:35 hrs on Sunday.

According to a press release issued by Chief Public Relations Officer, Sumit Thakur of Western Railway, "during the block period, all slow line trains will be operated on fast lines between

Churchgate and Mumbai Central (local). Due to this, some up and down suburban trains will remain cancelled."

The press release further said, "Detailed information to this effect is available with concerned Station Masters. Passengers are requested to take note of the above arrangements."

Meanwhile, the Western Railway in another statement on Thursday said that the entry and exit at Bandra Terminus will now be speedy and systematic after the newly introduced access controlled parking facility.

In an official statement, the Western Railway said that to make entry and exit convenient at one of Mumbai's busiest stations viz. Bandra Terminus, Western Railway has introduced access controlled parking facility at the station.

It said that this newly introduced facility will provide great convenience to the passengers reaching at the station in their private vehicles.

"The Parking facility has a modernised approach for controlled entry and exit with the installation of 'Mechanised Boom Barrier System'. Designated 'Pick Up' and 'Drop Points' have been created for passengers near the station building," the Western Railway said.

It said, to ensure ease of movement and to make the station premises congestion free, dedicated lanes for Auto, Taxi and Private Vehicles have been provided.

# AFTER 10 MONTHS IN JAIL, NAVJOT SIDHU TO BE RELEASED TODAY

## A TWEET FROM HIS OFFICIAL ACCOUNT THIS MORNING SAID THAT THE 59-YEAR-OLD CRICKETER-TURNED-POLITICIAN WILL ADDRESS THE MEDIA OUTSIDE JAIL AROUND NOON.

**New Delhi:** Punjab Congress leader Navjot Singh Sidhu is set to walk out of Patiala jail today, 10 months after serving sentence in a road-rage incident in which a man was killed 34 years ago. A tweet from his official account this morning said that the 59-year-old cricketer-turned-politician will address the media outside jail around noon.

On Friday, the Punjab Congress leader had put a tweet that he was informed by the "concerned authorities" that he will be released today.

Navjot Singh Sidhu was handed a one-year sentence in the road rage case and was due to be released in May, but is being released early on account of his "good behaviour".

His lawyer HPS Verma told NDTV that the Congress leader is getting an early release under the state's general remission policy. "Navjot Sidhu's scheduled release was in May, but for all prisoners with good conduct, all Sunday holidays get deducted from the sentence period. Therefore, (Navjot) Sidhu is getting a 48-day remission," he said.

The Supreme Court had last year in May ordered one-year "rigorous imprisonment" for the 59-year-old politician following a petition by the family of a man who died after a brawl with Navjot Sidhu and his friend in 1988. The family had asked for a harsher sentence and a review of a 2018 order from the Supreme Court acquitting him of murder.

On December 27, 1988, Navjot Sidhu got into an argument with 65-year-old Gurnam Singh, a resident of Patiala, over a parking spot. Navjot Sidhu and his friend, Rupinder Singh Sandhu, allegedly dragged Gurnam Singh out of his car and hit him. He later died in a hospital.

### CRIME NEWS: DEADLY ATTACK ON FATHER-SON BY ENTERING THE HOUSE, FATHER STABBED TO DEATH, SON INJURED

Due to the old enmity of the supremacy of extortion in the area, the accused Ashu Uike along with his companions entered the house and killed him.



**Raipur:** Raipur Crime News A case of the murderous attack on father-son by entering the house in the Tilda Newra police station area of the capital Raipur has come to light. The father has died in this attack, while the son is injured. The deceased is Jitendra Pal, a resident of Kundru village and his injured son's name is Ayush Pal. On the other hand, cyber and FSL teams including Tilda police station have reached the spot. Both have been taken to the hospital, where the injured son is being treated. At the same time, after the incident, all the accused fled from the spot. The police have been involved in the investigation of the case.

According to the information, Ashu Uike, a resident of Jalso village and his uncle Ishu Uike along with his 6-7 companions have executed this incident. The accused killed Jitendra Pal by stabbing him. Due to the old enmity of the supremacy of extortion in the area, the accused Ashu Uike along with his companions entered the house and killed him. And the accused fled from the spot.

Station in-charge Sudarshan Dhruv told that the father and son were attacked with a knife, in which the father died. Son is injured. The accused is still absconding. The case is being investigated. The Crime Branch team has also started looking for the accused. According to the primary information, the incident of murder has been executed due to the old dispute.

### MORENA CRIME NEWS: THE CLOTH MERCHANT WAS SHOT AFTER ENTERING THE SHOP, DIED ON THE SPOT

TWO MISCREANTS OPENED FIRE OPENLY LAST NIGHT IN BAMBORE OF MORENA DISTRICT, IN WHICH THE BUSINESSMAN DIED ON THE SPOT.

**Morena Crime News:** Morena district of Madhya Pradesh remains in media headlines for criminal incidents. In this episode, once again two miscreants entered the shop last night and shot the cloth merchant with pistol and katta, injuring him. In a hurry, he was taken to Gwalior Apollo by the local people, where the doctors declared him brought dead.

Actually, the case pertains to Kailash Goyal, a Bamor textile trader and property trader from Morena. Whose property business also runs in Gwalior. There, last night he was sitting in his clothes shop located in Bamore, when two youths came to the shop and said show us the towel. When his son went to show him the towel, then those miscreants took out a pistol and a pistol from behind and opened fire on Kailash Goyal.



### RAM NAVAMI VIOLENCE IN WEST BENGAL STATE-SPONSORED: SUVENDU ADHIKARI MOVES CALCUTTA HIGH COURT SEEKING CBI, NIA PROBE

The plea by the BJP leader also seeks the deployment of Central Armed Police Forces in the affected areas, among several other prayers.



West Bengal Leader of Opposition and Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader SUVENDU ADHIKARI has moved the Calcutta High Court seeking a probe by Central agencies into the violence that broke out during Ram Navami processions in the State.

The public interest litigation (PIL), filed through Advocate Suryaneel Das, seeks that the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) and the National Investigation Agency (NIA) probe the incidents of arson and use of explosives, respectively.

The plea emphasises that all necessary permissions had been taken from concerned authorities to conduct the marches, despite which communal tensions ensued.

"From the manner of the attack, whereby the attackers started pelting stones and hurling bombs from rooftops, it can be safely assumed that the entire attack was pre-planned, and the only intention of the Antisocial attackers was to prevent the hindus from celebrating their festival and create a communal tension."

Although such attacks are a regular feature each year, this year, the same has crossed all limits with the police officials left helpless, Adhikari claimed.

The violence involved hurling of petrol bombs and alcohol bottles, aggravating the explosives used and leaving people injured by glass shards, the PIL added.

### BHOPAL CRIME NEWS: THE 73-YEAR-OLD WOMAN KEPT WANDERING, THE POLICE DID NOT LISTEN, COMPLAINED TO THE HOME MINISTER. A CASE OF CHEATING WAS REGISTERED ON THE ORDERS OF THE COURT.



Bhopal (Navdunia Representative). Finally, on the orders of the court, the Shahjahanabad police station has registered a case of cheating against the fraudster who took Rs 10 lakh from an elderly woman on the pretext of giving interest of Rs 8,000 per month for life. He has given only 18 thousand rupees to the woman. Since then he stopped giving money. The elderly woman went to the police with a complaint, but then she was not heard.

According to the Shahjahanabad police station, 73-year-old Lakhwinder Kaur, husband late, resident of Neelkanth Colony Shahjahanabad. Sardar Rajendra is a housewife. He filed a complaint in the court. It was told in it that in the year 2013, she had gone to Bombay Mercantile Co-operative Bank, Peergate branch to deposit Rs 10 lakh 25 thousand. In the bank, he found a young man named Hasan Mohammad Hasan. Hasan introduced himself as an employee of the bank. He had tricked that he would get less interest in the bank. He also takes the contract of Municipal Corporation Bhopal. If he invests money in the contract, he will give 15-20 thousand every month in lieu of Rs 10 lakh. He also gave 11 self checks to Lakhwinder to win his trust. For some time he kept giving money. After this, stopped giving money from July 2019.

In August 2020, Lakhwinder complained about this at Kohefija police station. On coming to know about this, Hasan reached Lakhwinder's house and tried to kill him. He also informed the police about this incident, but no action was taken. After this he complained about the incident to Home Minister Narottam Mishra. When the matter reached the Home Minister, the police swung into action, but instead of registering a case, the police hushed up the matter by getting Mohammad Hasan to fill an affidavit to pay eight thousand rupees every month to Lakhwinder Kaur. After giving only 18 thousand rupees, Hasan again stopped giving the money. After being upset, Lakhwinder Kaur had approached the court. On this the woman filed a complaint in the court. The Court of Judicial Magistrate First Class Nimish Raja ordered the police to file an FIR. Then the police registered the case.

### BHOLAA BOX OFFICE COLLECTION DAY 2: AJAY DEVGN STARRER PERFORMS WORSE THAN SHIVAAY, COLLECTIONS STAND AT RS 18.60 CRORE

**BHOLAA BOX OFFICE COLLECTION DAY 2: AJAY DEVGN-TABU FILM SAW A SIGNIFICANT DIP ON FRIDAY AND HAS COLLECTED APPROXIMATELY RS 18.60 IN ITS FIRST TWO DAYS.**

Bholaa, starring Ajay Devgn and Tabu, struggled to draw audiences on the second day after a decent opening at the box office. Bholaa earned Rs 11.20 crore on its first day but saw a significant drop on Day 2 with just Rs 7.40 crore, according to trade analyst Taran Adarsh. The two-day total now stands at approximately Rs 18.60 crore. Box office India reported that the film had 11.02% occupancy in theatres on Friday. Even though the reviews of the film were largely positive, the drop in the national chains was reported to be around 35%.