

MUMBAI CRIME: WANTED IN FIVE STATES FOR 15 CASES, BOOKIE FINALLY NABBED

COPS TAILED ANIL JAISINGHANI FOR 750 KM TO NASHIK AND SURAT, SAY THEY HAVE EVIDENCE PROVING ROLE IN DAUGHTER'S BRIBERY CASE



The Mumbai Crime Branch has finally arrested bookie Anil Jaishingani, who is wanted in around 15 cases in five states, including Maharashtra, Goa and Assam. To nab Jaishingani, the police had formed three special teams, which chased their target for more than 750 km before arresting him at Kalol toll naka in Gujarat on Sunday. Jaishingani is the father of Aniksha Jaishingani, a fashion designer recently arrested by the crime branch in a case filed by Amruta Fadnavis, the wife of Deputy CM Devendra Fadnavis, on March 16. Aniksha was arrested for offering a bribe of Rs 1 crore to Amruta Fadnavis to get Jaishingani's name out of the FIRs filed against him. According to the police, Jaishingani had been absconding for the past five years after getting

embroiled in cases related to betting, threatening people and extortion in several states. After a case was registered against the daughter and father, the crime branch arrested the former from Ulhasnagar on March 16. The cops had learnt that Jaishingani was in Shirdi but when they reached the spot on March 13, they found out that he had run off to Gujarat. On March 14, he was in Surat but came to Mumbai and visited the family's Ulhasnagar flat the following day.

BJP SAYS PHONE-TAPPING PROVISION WILL BE MISUSED TO SNOOP ON RIVALS, REBELS

AS PER THE BJP, THE GOVERNMENT MAY AGAIN EMPLOY THIS PRETEXT TO RECORD CONVERSATIONS OF OPPOSITION LEADERS AND CONGRESS REBELS IN A BID TO OUTSMART THEM.

The Rajasthan Control of Organised Crime Bill that was tabled in the Assembly last week with a provision of tapping phones, among other things, to check organised crime, is set to face stiff opposition from the BJP.

The Bill, which is similar to Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act (MCOCA)-1999, states that a Superintendent of Police may seek permission from an officer who is Secretary level and above in the Home department for authorisation "of interception of wire, electronic or oral communication".

While the law is in line with the existing provisions – Rule 419A of the Indian Telegraph (Amendment) Rules-2007, which say that phone-tapping permission "shall not be issued except by an order made by the Secretary to the government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs in the case of government of India, and by the Secretary to the state government in-charge of the Home department in the case of a State Government" – it is the timing of the Bill that has been questioned by the Opposition BJP.

Deputy Leader of Opposition in the Assembly, Rajendra Rathore, told The Indian Express that "organised gangs have already raised the graph of crime to such levels and the government is in its last phase [of tenure]", so, naturally, questions would arise about the intention behind "bringing such a law about seven months before the imposition of model code of conduct, where they want to tap telephones".

Notably, all the laws or rules concerning phone tapping in the state are Central. In its reply to an Assembly question by former BJP minister Kalicharan Saraf in 2020-21, the government had said that the phones are intercepted under the provisions of The Indian.

BUY OR SELL: VAISHALI PAREKH RECOMMENDS 3 STOCKS TO BUY TODAY — MARCH 21

Intraday trading strategy for Tuesday

Vaishali Parekh, Vice President - Technical Research at Prabhudas Lilladher believes that overall market sentiment is still weak. Prabhudas Lilladher's expert went on to add that Nifty has crucial support placed at 16,800 whereas 17,200 to 17,250 is an important resistance barrier. On stocks to buy today, Vaishali Parekh recommended three intraday stocks for today and those three shares are Pidilite Industries, Hindustan Unilever Ltd and Godrej Consumer.

Stocks to buy today

As mentioned above, Vaishali Parekh has recommended three intraday stocks for today, here we list out full details in regard to those day trading stocks:

- 1) **Pidilite Industries:** Buy at ₹2372, target ₹2460, stop loss ₹2342;
- 2) **Hindustan Unilever:** Buy at ₹2511, target ₹2600, stop loss ₹2475; and
- 3) **Godrej Consumer:** Buy at ₹960, target ₹990, stop loss ₹955.

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RAINFALL LIKELY IN THESE STATES TODAY, FRESH SPELL FROM MARCH 23



Delhi on Monday received the highest 24-hour rainfall for March in the past three years, the India Meteorological Department said. Significant reduction in rainfall and thunderstorm activity is expected over northwest and east India from today, the Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) has said. The weather forecasting agency said that a fresh spell of rainfall and thunderstorm activity is likely to commence over the northwest India, including the Western Himalayan region and states like Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan from March 23.

The observatory at Palam clocked 10.4 mm rainfall alongside strong winds reaching speeds of up to 46 kilometres per hour and thunderstorms.

Manorama Mohanty, Met director, Ahmedabad, said that Gujarat may witness rainfall activity for the next 3-4 days, with a possibility of light rainfall on Tuesday.

"There's a possibility of rain in Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar as well. There's a possibility of less rain on March 24. There is no possibility of heat wave for next four days," ANI quoted her as saying.

AMAZON STARTS 2ND ROUND OF LAYOFF, FIRES 9000 EMPLOYEES



Amazon has announced the layoff of 9,000 more employees. The company's CEO Andy Jassy has sent a message to the impacted employees, saying that Amazon is going through a difficult time and that it will have to take this step to save costs. This is not the first time that the e-commerce giant is sacking employees as it eliminated as many as 18,000 workers in January this year. This basically means Amazon has fired a total of 27,000 people.

"We intend to eliminate about 9,000 more positions in the next few weeks—mostly in AWS, PXT, Advertising, and Twitch. This was a difficult decision, but one that we think is best for the company in the long term," Jassy said in the email that was sent to employees. But why is Amazon firing thousands of employees again? Well, the company's CEO has explained that Amazon overhired people in the past few years and now, it will have to sack employees to save costs and use resources carefully because of the economic downturn. He also asserted that the move would help the company in the long run and use the saved money for better things.

FIRST TIME IN 75 YEARS...: KEJRIWAL WRITES TO PM MODI AFTER CENTRE HALTS DELHI BUDGET

A day the Centre put a hold on the Delhi budget that was to be tabled on Tuesday, Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal has written to PM Narendra Modi, requesting him to give a nod to the Budget.

Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) chief and Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal has written a letter to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, seeking his approval to present the UT's budget in the assembly. "For the first time in the country's 75-year history, the budget has been stopped," he wrote, asking the PM if he hated the residents of Delhi. The letter comes a day after the Centre sought clarification from the Delhi Government on why the expenditure on advertisements is more than that on infrastructure before clearing the presentation of the Budget. The Delhi Budget was to be tabled on March 21 (Tuesday).

Kejriwal asked, "Why are you angry with us Delhiites?" He added the people of Delhi were requesting the PM with folded hands to pass their Budget.

The AAP on Monday shared a video of Arvind Kejriwal speaking during a News18 programme. The chief minister can be heard saying that the Delhi Budget will not be tabled Tuesday (March 21). Arvind Kejriwal accused the central government of resorting to "gundagardi" and said that for the first time in the history of the country, a government's budget was put on hold.

Till the time clarification is not given by the Delhi government, approval for the Budget will be pending before the MHA, the home ministry sources said.

In the 2023-24 budget, themed 'neat and clean Delhi', the Delhi government was planning to lay out a plan to beautify and modernise the city's infrastructure with a focus on cleaning of the Yamuna River and removing three mountains of garbage from landfill sites in the city.



'AN INDIAN HAD THREATENED PAKISTAN TEAM BUT WE STILL CAME': SHAHID AFRIDI ON ASIA CUP ROW

Amid the talk, former Pakistan captain Shahid Afridi feels that Pakistan are ready to welcome the Indian team for the tournament and urged the BCCI to keep aside political tensions and send their side.



The members of the Asian Cricket Council (ACC) including the BCCI and the PCB are slated to meet in Dubai to reach to a conclusion over the much-debated Asia Cup 2023 tournament with ICC set to hold a meeting as well. Although there were no official statements, reports from the previous ACC meeting, held last month in Bahrain, had revealed that UAE would be the new venue for the tournament with Pakistan reserving the hosting rights. Amid the talk, former Pakistan captain Shahid Afridi feels that Pakistan are ready to welcome the Indian team for the tournament and urged the BCCI to keep aside political tensions and send their side.

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In October last year, BCCI secretary Jay Shah, who is also the chairman of the ACC, said that the Indian team won't be travelling to Pakistan for Asia Cup and went further to insist that there should be a change in venue. An infuriated PCB, who questioned the logic behind the statement without prior discussion with the board and the other members of the ACC, retaliated by threatening to boycott the 2023 ODI World Cup in Pakistan if the nation is denied hosting the 2023 Asia Cup.

Speaking to the media on the sidelines of the Legends League Cricket, Afridi was asked how matters will improve if there is constant retaliation. "Who is saying no to Asia Cup? India is saying no," the veteran cricketer said.

Afridi added that the Pakistan team had once faced threat from an Indian, whom he did not wish to name, but yet the Pakistan government had kept differences aside to send the team to India and hence wishes the same form the Indian government this time.

SIKH STUDENT ASSAULTED IN CANADA; TURBAN RIPPED OFF

Councillor Mohini Singh said that Gagandeep's friends and fellow international students have been left shaken and scared by the attack, prompting a gathering at the bus stop Sunday where they spoke out about how they feel less safe in their community.



In an apparent hate crime, a 21-year-old Sikh student from India was attacked in Canada's British Columbia province by a group of unknown men who ripped off his turban and dragged him across the sidewalk by his hair, according to a media report.

Gagandeep Singh was assaulted when he was heading home on Friday night, CTV news reported.

Councillor Mohini Singh said she heard of the attack shortly after it happened and went to visit Gagandeep.

"I was horrified when I saw him. He could only speak in soft tones and he couldn't open his mouth," she told the news channel.

She said the young man's eyes were swollen shut and that he was obviously in significant pain.

The councillor says she was told that Gagandeep was heading home around 10:30 pm after grocery shopping when he encountered a group of between 12 and 15 other young people on the bus. It was St. Patrick's Day and Mohini Singh says a rowdy group was on the bus, throwing a wig around.

"They were harassing him and they threw the wig at him. He told them not to bother him or he'd call the police, and they continued to harass him," she said.

Gagandeep got off the bus.

"They got off after him, waited for the bus to leave and then they swarmed him, they beat him in his face, in his ribs, arms, and legs and then proceeded to grab his turban, pull his hair and drag him," Mohini Singh said, adding that the group took the turban with them when they left Gagandeep in a pile of "dirty snow" on the side of the road. "Taking his turban was the worst, it feels like they've taken it as a trophy." After he regained consciousness, Gagandeep called a friend who came to the scene and called 911.

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PRO-KHALISTAN PROTESTERS TRIED TO SET ON FIRE INDIA'S CONSULATE IN SAN FRANCISCO

2 BEARDED MEN WEARING A CAP POURED FLAMMABLE MATERIAL AT THE ENTRANCE OF THE INDIAN MISSION IN SAN FRANCISCO AND TRIED TO PUT THE BUILDING ON FLAME

Washington, March 21

A group of pro-Khalistan protesters on Sunday made an attempt to set on fire India's consulate in San Francisco, with senior Indian diplomats informing their American counterparts that they anticipate more such protests by anti-national elements in the coming weeks.

The incident is reported to have taken place around 4:20 am on Sunday, a portion of which was captured on the consulate's CCTV.

It is believed that two bearded men wearing a cap, who remain unidentified so far, poured flammable material at the entrance of the Indian mission in San Francisco and tried to put the building on flame, sources told PTI.

However, the fire did not spread for reasons not known, possibly due to the building material or the quality of flammable liquid, multiple sources told PTI on Monday.

The consulate in San Francisco immediately took up the matter with the city police and concerned authorities at multiple levels from San Francisco to Washington DC.

However, the protestors went violent later in the day.

Around 11 hours later, in the absence of a strong law enforcement and city police presence, pro-Khalistan supporters broke the makeshift barricade, forced entry inside the premises of the Indian Consulate in San Francisco and hammered at the doors and windows, shattered the glass panes after their Khalistan flag was removed by the mission staffers.

In the process, one of the consulate employees sustained minor injuries. The Indian Consulate in San Francisco and senior officials from the Indian Embassy here have lodged a very strong protest at multiple levels in the US Government and the California State Government.

On Monday, the Khalistani protestors pitched a tent outside the San Francisco consulate. Among those present in the protest were those who were part of the vandalism and defacing of Indian property. The local Indian American community is outraged that the San Francisco Police have taken no action against them.

Several people who came to the consulate for passport or visa services were harassed by the protestors and in some cases even obstructed from entering the premises.

Multiple sources told PTI that it all started on Saturday evening when a group of Khalistan activists pitched a tent in front of the consulate premises and started the protest.

Saturday evening, the separatist Sikhs defaced the wall and premises of the consulate with graffiti. Consulate employees were quick enough to remove the graffiti. All the concerned law enforcement authorities were immediately informed about it. They were told that they had information that the protest might turn violent.