

# BJP MLA Munirathna arrested over harassment, threats and casteist abuse

PTI, BENGALURU: BJP MLA Munirathna was arrested on Saturday in connection with two FIRs being lodged against him for alleged harassment, threats and

casteist abuse, police said. "We have taken him into custody. He was detained in Kolar and brought to Bengaluru, after which he has been formally arrested in connection with the cases filed against him," a senior police officer said. Advocate Sadananda, representing the BJP MLA

and former minister, said the allegations were far from the truth and added there was no evidence. "We will also be approaching the high court," he told reporters. "We will file a counter complaint against the complainants and the truth will come out." The cases against the Ra-


jarajeshwarinagar MLA were filed at Vyalikaval police station on Friday, they said. Official sources said Munirathna was taken to Bowring Hospital for a medical checkup and then to police station. His supporters had also gathered at Vyalikaval police station.

Citing violation of party discipline, the state BJP has issued a showcause notice to Munirathna and asked him to clarify the allegations before a disciplinary committee within five days.

BJP leaders, including Union minister Prahlad Joshi and Leader of Opposition in the Karnataka Assembly R Ashoka, while maintaining that action should be taken against Munirathna if he had committed any wrong, termed his "hurried arrest" vendetta politics and preplanned.

The contractor alleged that Munirathna had initially demanded Rs 20 lakh in 2021 for a solid waste disposal contract.

**LORD I AM COMING HOME**  
**ANTONIO MILTON DA COSTA**  
 CUNCOLIM  
 Born: 14.12.1961 / Died: 13.09.2024  
 Son of late Inacio Da Costa/late Avelina Goes.  
 Loving husband of Sara (Petul) Coelho.  
 Father/father-in-law of Manisha/Sendri (Ex employee Cuncolim Municipal Council)(UK), Madona/Darren Vales(UK), Mona/Riche Vales (UK), late Ives/Melba Cardozo. Grandfather of Kate, Keith, Deagan, Mogan & Raiza.  
 Brother/brother-in-law of Margarit/late Gabriel, late Concy/late Raymond, late Timotina/late Josico, late Sanjao/Delfine and Feliciano/late Rolson.  
 Brother-in-law of Cynthia/ Gerald Pinheiro, Brito/Prince, late Sancho/Evete, late Babush/Netty, Genive/Paulo Vas, Leny/Abigail & Gregorio/Clency  
 Funeral Cortège will leave his residence on 15.09.2024 (Today) at 3.30 pm am to Our Lady of Health Church, Cuncolim for Eucharistic Celebration followed by burial.  
 Relatives, friends and neighbours kindly accept this as the only intimation

**RETURNED TO THE LORD**  
  
 Born: 16.04.1938 Died: 13.09.2024  
**ESTELLA DIAS (GOMES)**  
 (TEMBIM - RAIA)  
 Wife of late Joaquim Antonio Dias.  
 Loving mother / mother-in-law of Annie / Lawrence Coelho, Fatima / Xavier Furtado, Franky / Reba Dias (USA), Prazerio / Maria Dias (USA).  
 Beloved grandmother of Stacy / Silroy Da Cunha (UK), Jovita / Aloycius Coutinho, Wendy, Warren, Valanka, Jonathan, Christy and Zena.  
 Great grandmother of Zeon, Zach and newborn Little Angel.  
 Funeral cortege will leave her residence at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, 15th September 2024 at Our Lady of Snow's Church, Raia, for Eucharistic celebration, followed by burial.  
 Relatives and friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.  
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**RETURNED TO THE LORD**  
  
**JOAO FRANCISCO PEREIRA**  
 (Ex MPT)  
 Born: 02/11/1943 Died: 14/09/2024  
 (Choir Master St. Francis Church, Harbour) (Choir Master St. Francis Church, Chicallim)  
 Opp. MPT Admin Office, Headland Sada, Vasco  
 Son of late Filipe Antonio Pereira & Late Luízinha Liberata Rodrigues.  
 Beloved Husband of Filomena Maria Clara Fernandes  
 Father/Father in law of Elston/Maria, Berfilla/Manuel.  
 Brother/Brother in law of Late Rosaline/Late Manuel, Late Marcelino/Filomena, Henry/Rita.  
 Brother-in law of Late Alex Gaspar/Luiza, Guilherme/Connie, Late Cajetan/Margaret.  
 Loving Grandfather of Esmond, Eudora, Keane, Kiera & Kaylen.  
 Funeral Cortège will leave his Residence at 3.00 p.m. on Sunday 15th Sept. 2024 for Eucharistic Celebration at St. Andrew's Church, Vasco at 3.30pm., followed by burial.  
 Relatives & friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.  
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**Lord I am Coming Home**  
**Maria Quiteria Rosalina Fernandes**  
 Poilem Bhatt, Vaddy, Mercês  
 Born: 19-8-1967 - Died: 14-9-2024  
 Daughter of late Manuel & Late Rosalina Araújo (Ruzai Waddo - Santa Cruz). Wife of Late Alex Fernandes. Mother of Steve P Fernandes & Sybil Fernandes.  
 Sister/Sister-in-law: Late Candido Araújo & Candida Araújo. Sister-in-law/Brother-in-law: Luisa Fernandes/Duarte Coutinho, Veronica Fernandes/Late Salvador Braganza & family.  
 Funeral Service will be held at 4:00 PM on Sunday, 15th September 2024 at Our Lady of Mercês Church, Mercês, followed by burial.  
 Relatives, Neighbours & Friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

**RETURNED TO THE LORD**  
  
 Born: 22/10/1935 Died: 12/09/2024  
**JOAO FERRAO**  
 (Mangueiral, St. Estevam - Goa)  
 Beloved husband of Fatima Gonsalves.  
 Father/Father-in-law of Edgar/Lesvina, Elvis/Nelma, Lita/Rudy, Savio/Siena.  
 Loving Grandfather of Samuel, Ethan, Elaine, Roseann, Sladen, Liz and Hannah.  
 Funeral cortege will leave his residence Mangueiral on Monday, 16th of September, 2024 at 03:30 pm to St. Stephen Church, for Eucharistic celebration followed by burial.  
 Relatives and friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

**MONTH'S MIND**  
  
 BORN: 05/12/1970 DIED: 16/08/2024  
**REV. FR. GERALDO JOHN DENIZ**  
 KAKUMODDI, XELDEM  
 Son of Late Agnelo Deniz and Late Margarita Pereira  
 Losing you is one of the hardest thing, but the memories and love you left behind will last forever.  
 There will be an Eucharistic celebration for the soul of Fr. Geraldo John Deniz on 16th September 2024, Monday at 7.15 am. at Our Lady Mother of Poor Church, Tilamola, followed by prayers and blessings at the grave.  
 Offered by his brother Late Romeo / Ladisla, Elizabeth / Menino Rodrigues, Eudes / Valuda, Morris / Suzanne, Ezequiel / Rachel, Late Simon / Clara. Nephew & Niece Marvil, Margaret, Audrey / Tisha, Maghart, Daisy, Agnes, Mariel, Ansel, Joelyn, Wagner.  
**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**  
 We, the bereaved family of Late Fr. Geraldo John Deniz thank the Archbishop, Auxiliary Bishop, Priests, Nuns, Relatives, Neighbours & friends for their prayers & floral tributes.  
 Relatives, friends and neighbours kindly accept this as the only intimation


**DEATH**  
**MARIA CONCEICAO DE MELO**  
 Non-Mon Saibini Bhatt Vasco  
 Born: 13-04-1935 - Died: 14-09-2024  
 Daughter of Late Jacinto De Melo and Late Enarnacao Dias.  
 Aunt of Late Andrew Santan/Teodolina, Florian/Manuel, Jacinta/Joaquim, Late Maria Conceicao/Late Joaquim, Manuel/Martha, Mariani/Luis, Akon/Francisco.  
 Funeral cortege will leave her residence Today, Sunday, 15th September 2024 at 11.45 am to St. Andrews Church, Vasco for Eucharistic Celebration followed by burial.  
 RELATIVES AND FRIENDS KINDLY ACCEPT THIS AS THE ONLY INTIMATION

**LORD I AM COMING HOME**  
  
 Born: 07.10.1945 Died: 14.09.2024  
**CELESTINA MARTINS**  
 (Moloca, Mercês)  
 Beloved wife of late Jose Manuel Martins, loving mother/mother-in-law of Linnet/Anthony Fonseca, Filip, Fatima/Francisco Ribeiro, Camilo/Herodiana D'Sousa, Melba/Peter Braganza. Grandmother of Allwyn, Feodora, Alistar, Mabel, Eden, Mercy.  
 Funeral cortege will leave from Moloca, Mercês on 16th September, 2024 at 3.30 p.m. to Our Lady of Mercês Church, Mercês for Eucharistic celebration followed by burial.  
 Relatives and friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

**Returned to the Lord**  
  
 Born: 26-02-1954 Died: 13-09-2024  
**Henriques Torcado Judas Solenidade Rodrigues**  
 (Henry/Eric)  
 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16)  
 Loving Son/Son-in-law of late Roque Damasceno and late Guilhermina Elisa Rodrigues/ Domingos Coutinho Quadros and late Maria Palmira Quadros.  
 Beloved husband of Maria Cintia Rodrigues.  
 Dearest father/father-in-law of Vesley and Stacy.  
 Funeral cortege will leave his residence at 3:00pm on Monday, 16th September 2024 for Eucharistic Celebration at 03:30 pm at St. Inez Church followed by burial.  
 Relatives and Friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.  
**No condolence visits please.**

**MONTH'S MIND**  
 In Everloving memory of  
**IVY MARCELINA ALMEIDA**  
 (Murida, Cuncolim)  
 There will be an Eucharistic celebration for the soul of our beloved IVY at 8.00 a.m. on Monday, the 16th Sept 2024, at Infant Jesus Chapel, Murida, Cuncolim, followed by prayers and blessing of the grave at Our Lady of Health Church cemetery, Cuncolim offered by her sorrowful family.  
 Relatives, friends, colleagues and neighbours kindly accept this as the only intimation.


**FIRST DEATH ANNIVERSARY**  
 In everloving memory of  
  
**FILOMENA MASCARENHAS**  
 Maina - Curtorim  
 There will be a Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved Filomena on Monday, 16th September 2024 at 6:45 a.m. at St. Rita's Church, Maina Curtorim, followed by prayers at the grave, offered by her sorrowful family.  
 Relatives, friends & neighbours kindly accept this as the only intimation.  
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**CONDOLENCE**  
 Your Life Has Been A Source Of Blessings For Our People  
  
**REV. FR. ROSARIO CAETANO FRANCISCO CARMO MENEZES**  
 The Parish Priest, Asst Parish Priest, Deacon and the Parishioners of Our Lady of Gloria Church, Varca, Deeply mourn the demise of our Former Parish Priest.  
 We offer prayers to the Risen Lord for his Eternal Repose and sympathies to his bereaved family.

**MONTH'S MIND**  
 In Loving Memory of  
  
**FRANCIS D'SOUZA (MIRAND)**  
 (ST. CAITAN WARD, MERCES)  
 There will be an Eucharistic celebration for the soul of our beloved brother Francis D'Souza (MIRAND) at 7.00 a.m. on Monday 16th September 2024 at Our Lady of Mercês Church, Mercês, followed by prayers and blessing at the grave, offered by his sorrowful wife Joanita Gurjao, brothers & family.  
 RELATIVES & FRIENDS KINDLY ACCEPT THIS AS THE ONLY INTIMATION.

**FIRST DEATH ANNIVERSARY**  
 In everloving memory of  
  
**LOURENCO FERNANDES**  
 (Ex-Ministry of Defence, Kuwait) (Sonfator - Ambora)  
 Born: 06-03-1951, Died: 15-09-2023  
 Days will pass and turn in to years but we will forever remember YOU with silent tears.  
 There will be an Eucharistic celebration for the soul of our beloved Lourenco on Monday, 16th Sept. 2024 at 8:00 am at Our Lady of Candelaria Church, Camorlim, Ambora followed by prayers and blessing of the grave offered by his sorrowful family.  
 Relatives and Friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.

**FIRST DEATH ANNIVERSARY**  
 In Everloving & Cherished Memory of  
  
 Born: 02.03.1956 Died: 17.09.2023  
**JOANITA (JOBBOY) CARNEIRO**  
 -: Figueam Moddi - Navelim -:  
 There will be an Eucharistic Celebration for the soul of our beloved JOANITA at 8:15 a.m. on Tuesday, 17th September 2024 at Our Lady of Rosary Church, Navelim, followed by prayers and blessing at the grave, offered by her sorrowful husband: Anthony, children and family.  
 Relatives, friends and neighbours kindly accept this as the only intimation.  
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"Whoever sees the son and believes in him shall have eternal life and I shall raise him up on the last day." (Jn. 6:40)  
**Celebration of 30th Day of death of**  
  
 Born: 12/02/1957 (Kenya) Died: 16/08/2024 (Goa)  
**MANOEL D'SOUZA**  
 (Ex Avis Marines / Musician)  
 Son of late Jose D'Souza & Isabela D'Souza.  
 Son-in-law of late Domingos De'souza & Ana Rita Almeida.  
 Husband of Marianinha Perpetua DeSouza (Daffodils Hospital).  
 Father/Father-in-law of Max (USA)/Malisha, Melroy/Andria (Civilly Married).  
 Grandson of Messiah Neuer D'Souza.  
 Brother-in-law of Alda/Conceicao Fernandes (Betaltatim), Sr. Rosa DeSouza (M.P.)  
 There will be Holy Mass and prayers at the grave at St. Andrews Church, Vasco-da-Gama, on Monday, 16/9/2024 at 8.15 am.  
 Special thanks to Advocate Fr. Michael Fernandes for all your help.  
 (Relatives, neighbours & friends kindly accept this as the only intimation)

**MONTH'S MIND**  
  
**Judith Josephine De Mello**  
 (Dmello Vaddo/Gaunwaddi- Anjuna)  
 Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live." John 11:25  
 Loving Wife of George De Mello.  
 There will be a Eucharistic Celebration on 16th September, 2024 at 7:30 am at St. Michael's Church, Anjuna followed by blessing of the grave.  
 Relatives & Friends kindly accept this as the only intimation.