



People gather near the wreckage of a vehicle after an accident in which at least seven persons were killed and several injured, in Nadia



Students show their ID cards as they wait to enter an examination centre for the Haryana Board of School Education (HBSE) class 12th exams, in Gurugram



DIG Rakesh Kumar pays last respects to ASI Santosh Kumar Singh who died after he was allegedly assaulted by a group of people in Bihar's Munger district



A backhoe loader removes debris after the diversion of Frisal-Khudwani road collapsed due to rains, in Kulgam, Jammu and Kashmir

# Ranya Rao alleges torture in custody in gold smuggling case

AGENCIES, BENGALURU: Actor Ranya Rao has claimed that she has been subjected to custodial torture and falsely implicated in the high-profile gold smuggling case. In a letter addressed to the Additional Director General (ADG) of the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI), Ms Rao alleges that she was arrested directly from the airport and not from the airport terminal, as officially stated. She further claimed she was physically assaulted, denied food and sleep, and coerced into signing blank documents under duress. Her accusations come a day after a special court in Bengaluru denied her bail request. The case has taken a political turn, with the Karnataka government ordering a probe into the

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Ms Rao was arrested by the DRI at Kempegowda International Airport on March 3 after she was allegedly caught smuggling over 14 kg of gold from Dubai. However, in her letter from Parappana Agrahara Central Prison, she insists she was detained inside the aircraft before disembarking, contradicting official reports. The letter, submitted as

part of a jail memo, contains claims of mistreatment. Ms Rao claimed that she was slapped multiple times, threatened with exposure of her father's identity, and forced to sign blank papers. She alleged that she was being framed to shield more influential individuals involved in the smuggling network. But these allegations are questionable. Ms Rao wrote the letter on March 6. She was brought to court on March 9. The judge asked her three times whether there was any custodial torture, and she denied it thrice. Neither did her lawyers raise any torture allegations. On Friday, the Special Court for Economic Offences in Bengaluru rejected Ms Rao's bail plea.

## Violence mars Holi celebrations in UP

PTI, LUCKNOW (UP): Holi celebrations in parts of Uttar Pradesh were marred by incidents of violence, resulting in injuries to over a dozen people and highlighting existing social tensions. Clashes erupted over forced application of colours, caste-based disputes, and drunken altercations, leading to arrests and heightened security measures. In Mathura district, a confrontation between upper-caste men and Dalit residents in Bati village in Jait area of the district resulted in injuries to 8 to 10 people. Station House Officer (SHO) of Jait Police station, Ashwini Kumar said, "Two men from an upper-caste community attempted to forcibly apply 'gula' on people from Dalit community, leading to tensions and minor skirmishes. Eight people were injured and nine been arrested.

## Law student who caused death of woman, injured 7 sent to police custody

AGENCIES, VADODARA: A Vadodara court on Saturday granted police custody of Rakshit Chaurasiya, a law student accused of killing one person and injuring seven others in a car accident on Thursday night. The court sent Chaurasiya to one day in custody following a late-night hearing on Friday, according to the city's police commissioner, Narsimha Kumar.



Accused Rakshit Chaurasiya, who was behind the wheel of the car that crashed into eight people, killing one, being taken into custody

### VADODARA ACCIDENT CASE

In their request for the remand, the Vadodara police told the court that further investigation was required to establish the events leading up to the crash and to determine whether Chaurasiya was intentionally driving under the influence of intoxicants. The police are also investigating the relationship between Chaurasiya and Praanshu Chauhan, the son of the vehicle's owner, who was in the car during the incident.

The court was informed that an inquiry was necessary to understand why Chaurasiya, rather than Chauhan, was driving the car at the time of the accident. The police are also looking into Chaurasiya's past and his associations with others present before the crash. On Friday, police arrested Chauhan and identified a third individual, Suresh, who was reportedly with Chaurasiya and Chauhan in the hours leading up to the accident but was not in the vehicle when it occurred. Blood samples from all three have been sent for forensic examination to determine whether they had consumed any intoxicants together. The police aim to clarify the details of the incident and any potential connections between the individuals involved as part of their ongoing investigation.

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## Militant arrested from Manipur's Kakching district

PTI, IMPHAL: The Manipur Police have arrested a cadre of a banned outfit from Kakching district, officials said on Saturday.

The member of the outlawed People's Liberation Army was apprehended from Langmeidong Mamang Leikai in Kakching on Friday, they said.

In another operation at Dampi ridge in Chura-chandpur district, security forces recovered arms and ammunition, including a rifle, a single-barrel gun and two IEDs, the officials said.

"Intelligence-based combing operations are being carried out in the hill and valley districts to recover all the looted/snatched/illegal weapons in the state," a police officer said.

## INDIA bloc formed for LS polls, need broader platform of secular oppn parties: Karat

PTI, NEW DELHI: The opposition INDIA bloc was formed for the Lok Sabha elections and added the constituent parties had their own equations in the states.

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## SC to hear PIL challenging CAG appointment process on Monday

PTI, NEW DELHI: The Supreme Court is scheduled to hear on March 17 an NGO's plea seeking that the current practice of appointment of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India solely by the executive and the prime minister be declared violative of the Constitution.

The PIL, filed by the Centre for Public Interest Litigation, also sought direction of the court mandating that the CAG shall be appointed by the President in

pendent and neutral selection committee comprising of the prime minister, the Leader of the Opposition (LoP) and the Chief Justice of India and in a transparent manner.

It said that the direction for appointment of CAG should be similar to the appointment of other bodies including Information Commissions and the Central Vigilance Commission.

The PIL will be taken up

for hearing on Monday by a bench of justices Surya Kant and N Kottiswar Singh.

The plea filed through advocate Prashant Bhusan contended that the present mode of appointment of the CAG, which is done solely by the executive i.e. by the prime minister who hand-picks any individual and recommends his name to the President for appointment, is unconstitutional as it is violative of Article 14 and several basic features of the Constitution.

"The appointment of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India solely by the executive and the Prime Minister of India undermines the independence of the office of the CAG, suffers from grave conflict of interest and thereby is detrimental to good governance and democracy in India. It is also manifestly arbitrary, detrimental to institutional integrity and violates several basic features of the constitution," the plea said.