

## COPS CRACK GLOBAL CYBER SCAM NETWORK

Probe into Goan youth's rescue from cyber slavery in Myanmar led Goa Police to the arrested trio

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PANJIM: Goa Police's Cyber Crime Cell has busted a major cross-border cyber trafficking operation and arrested three men who are suspected of forcing Indians into forced labour at cyber-fraud call centres across Southeast Asia. The suspects have been identified as Adithya Ravichandran (22) from Tamil Nadu, Rupnarayan Gupta (36) from Mumbai and Talaniti Nulaxi (22), a Kazakhstan national of Chinese origin. Ravichandran was arrested from Bengaluru on March 23, Nulaxi from Delhi airport on March 26 and Gupta was nabbed from Mumbai on March 27.

The arrests were made after an investigation into the case of a Goan youth who had been lured by a fake job offer in Thailand, only to be pushed into forced cyber slavery in Myanmar. The victim was among 549 Indian nationals rescued from Myanmar earlier this month by the Indian govt.

According to police, the suspects initially offered the victim a well-paid position at a call center in Thailand with a monthly salary of Rs 60,000. However, upon arrival, the victim was coerced into contacting potential victims in

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**'MY COMPANY WAS RUNNING GLOBAL ONLINE SCAMS'**

### HOW THE NETWORK WAS RUN

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sourcing candidates through a network led by the second accused, Gupta. Gupta operated Evanka, an unregistered recruitment agency based in Mulund, Mumbai, which is not authorised by the Ministry of External Affairs to send Indians abroad.

SP (Cyber Crime) Rahul Gupta confirmed that Ravichandran played a key role in conducting interviews for these bogus job positions,



### CHECK HIRING AGENCY DETAILS: DGP

Goa Police DGP Alok Kumar has advised people to check details of recruitment agencies on the website of Ministry of External Affairs (MEA). "If you use services of the agencies which are not registered then there are chances of being cheated. Therefore it is always better to avail the services of agencies which are registered," he said. The DGP also said that the process of tenant verification will be made contactless soon and would happen via software that would not require police station visits. The online system is supposed to start next month, according to the senior officer.

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## Justice Varma transferred to parent Allahabad HC

PTI, NEW DELHI/PRAYAGRAJ: The government Friday notified the transfer of Justice Varma to the Allahabad High Court judge Yashwant Varma to his parent Allahabad High Court, the order coming amid a row over alleged discovery of a huge amount of cash from his official residence here.

The law ministry issued the notification announcing his transfer.

Recommending his repatriation to the government on Monday, the Supreme Court Collegium had asserted the move was separate from an in-house probe ordered by the top court over the alleged discovery of cash from Justice Varma's residence after a fire incident on March 14.

Following the incident, Chief Justice of India Sanjiv Khanna had directed the Delhi High Court to withdraw judicial work from the judge.

On Friday, the Supreme Court said the chief justice of the Allahabad High Court was asked not to assign any judicial work for now to Justice Varma upon assuming charge there.

"The chief justice of Allahabad High Court for the time being has been asked not to assign any judicial work to Justice Yashwant Varma, when he assumes charge as a judge of the Allahabad High Court," an SC release said.

Meanwhile, the Bar Association president in

Prayagraj on Friday strongly criticised the transfer of Justice Varma to the Allahabad High Court and called it the "darkest day for India's judiciary" and announced that

the association's members will boycott the swearing-in ceremony. Earlier today, the top court rejected a PIL seeking Delhi Police to register an FIR over the alleged

discovery of burnt wads of cash from his official residence, calling the petition "premature".

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