



Rescue operation underway after at least 11 coaches of the Bengaluru-Kamakhya Superfast Express derailed near Nergundi station, in Cuttack district



Police stop ABVP workers who were staging a protest against Samajwadi Party MP Ramji Lal Suman over his remarks against Rana Sanga, in Meerut



A visitor at a shop selling miniature charkha, an Indian spinning wheel, outside the Mahatma Gandhi Sabarmati Ashram, in Ahmedabad, Gujarat



Devotees on the way to Mata Vaishno Devi shrine on the first day of Chaitra Navratri, at the Darshani Deodi, Katra, in Reasi district, J&K

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Actress Janhvi Kapoor presents a creation of designer Rahul Mishra during the Lakme Fashion Week X FDCI, in Mumbai

Gang of robbers targeting women busted in Delhi, three held

NEW DELHI: A gang of robbers targeting women travelling in auto-rickshaws was busted with the arrest of its kingpin among three people, police said on Sunday. An auto-rickshaw used in the crime has also been recovered, they said. On March 21, a woman reported that she was robbed of her jewelry while she was travelling in an auto-rickshaw. A team analysed CCTV footage, interrogated several people and tracked down the accused, they said. A raid was conducted at the residence of the prime suspect on March 28 and arrested the driver of the auto-rickshaw, Shah Nawaz, the police said. Subsequently, his associates - Danish and Wasim - were nabbed from Loni and Khajuri Khas, respectively.

Woman, three children drown in pond in Telangana

HYDERABAD: A 26-year-old woman and her three children drowned in a pond in Kamareddy district in Telangana, police said on Sunday. The incident occurred in Yellareddy mandal late Saturday when the woman was washing clothes and her children - two daughters - aged nine and 10 and a 7-year-old son entered the water body to bathe. The children apparently got stuck in a pit in the pond and began drowning and their mother rushed to rescue them, but they all drowned, a police official said. The bodies were recovered on Sunday morning and a post-mortem was conducted, the official said. A case was registered.

Couple, minor killed in Rajasthan accident

JAIPUR: A couple and their minor son were killed when their SUV overturned on a highway in Rajasthan's Beawar district on Sunday, police said. Seven others, including two women and three children, were injured. The victims were on their way to a temple at the time of the accident. Their vehicle overturned and rolled multiple times, leaving Pukhraj Kumawat (42), his wife Pooja (38) and their six-year-old son Yashmit dead, the police said. Ten members of a family were on their way to a temple. Prima facie, the vehicle overturned when the driver attempted to avoid collision with an animal, the police said. The injured are undergoing treatment.

Two die of asphyxiation while cleaning acid tanker lorry

ERODE: Two persons died on the spot due to asphyxiation while cleaning an acid tanker lorry near here on Sunday, police said. Yuvendavel, 45, of Konaivakkal runs a Service station near Chitode for cleaning Lorries and buses. On Sunday morning somebody brought an acid tanker lorry there for cleaning. Chellappan, 52, of Ramanathapuram near Bhavani was engaged in cleaning the tanker, by covering his face with a handkerchief, police said. After he engaged himself in the cleaning for about 30 minutes, he swooned due to the severity of the acrid smell and stains. Noticing this, the owner of the Service Station Yuvendavel along with Chandran, 54 went to his rescue and shifted the swooned person from the tanker without wearing any safety equipment.

2 killed, 7 injured in head-on collision between ambulance, truck in UP's Gorakhpur

GORAKHPUR (UP): Two people were killed and seven sustained serious injuries after a truck and an ambulance collided head-on in Barhalganj area here on Sunday, police said. The ambulance was carrying the mortal remains of 75-year-old Jaglal Prasad, hailing from Madhuban in Mau district. His son Satyendra Prasad and some relatives were also in the vehicle which was en route to Madhuban from Lucknow. As the ambulance reached the Ram-Janki Marg near Gayaghat village at around 6 am, a speeding truck coming from the opposite direction collided with it. Due to the impact, the ambulance was reduced to mangled metal.

CBI arrests BIS joint director Ramakanth for accepting bribe

NEW DELHI: The CBI has arrested a joint director of the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) for allegedly taking a bribe of Rs 70,000 from a private firm's representative in Hyderabad, officials said on Sunday. Ramakanth Sagar Muthyala, a Scientist-D with the BIS posted in Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh, was arrested along with V Lakshminarayana Reddy alias Babu Reddy, a representative of Kronax Engineering and Pressure Vessels Private Limited, after the alleged bribe was exchanged, they said.

AFSPA extended in Manipur, parts of Nagaland, Arunachal

PTI, NEW DELHI: The Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, which gives armed forces operating in disturbed areas sweeping powers and immunity from prosecution unless approved by the Centre, was on Sunday extended for six months in entire Manipur, except the jurisdictions of 13 police stations, in view of the law and order situation there.

The AFSPA, under which a particular state or some areas are declared "disturbed", has also been extended to eight districts in Nagaland and 21 police station areas in five other districts of the state for six months, according to a notification issued by the Union home ministry.

The law was also extended to Tirap, Changlang and Longding districts in Arunachal Pradesh and three police station areas in Namsai district in the state for six



months beginning April 1 after a review of the law and order situation in these northeastern states.

The AFSPA, often criticised as a draconian law, gives armed forces operating in disturbed areas sweeping powers to search, arrest and open fire if they deem it necessary.

"Whereas the central government after review of the law and order situation in the state of Manipur, in exer-

in Manipur where the AFSPA will not be in force are: Imphal, Lamphal, City, Singjamei, Patsoi, Wangoi in Imphal West district, Porompat, Heingang, Iriblung in Imphal East district, Thoubal in Thoubal district and Bishnupur and Nambol in Bishnupur district and Kakching in Kakching district.

Manipur has been under President's rule since February 13 after Chief Minister N Biren Singh, who was heading a BJP-led government, resigned on February 9 following ethnic violence that claimed over 260 lives since May 2023.

The disturbed area declaration was in force in the entire Manipur (except the Imphal municipality area) from 2004 till early 2022.

Over 260 people were killed and thousands left homeless in ethnic violence between Imphal Valley-based Meiteis and Kukis. The police station areas

I-T dept imposes Rs 944 cr penalty on IndiGo

PTI, NEW DELHI: The Income Tax Department has slapped a penalty of Rs 944.20 crore on IndiGo, which said it will contest the order that is "erroneous and frivolous".

The order was received by InterGlobe Aviation, the parent of the country's largest airline IndiGo, on Saturday.

In a regulatory filing on Sunday, IndiGo said the assessment unit of the Income Tax Department (Income Tax Authority) has passed an order imposing Rs 944.20 crore penalty for assessment year 2021-22.

"The order has been passed on the basis of an erroneous understanding that appeal filed by the company before the Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeals) (CIT(A)) against the assessment order under Section 143(3) has been dismissed, whereas the same is still alive and pending adjudication," it said.

According to the filing, the company strongly believes that the order passed by In-

come Tax Authority is not in accordance with law and is erroneous and frivolous. The company will contest the same and shall take appropriate legal remedies against the order, it added.

Further, IndiGo said the order does not have any significant impact on financials, operations or other activities of the company. In a statement on Sunday evening, IndiGo said it strongly believes that the order passed by Income Tax Authority is not in accordance with law and is erroneous.

"The company will contest the same and shall take appropriate legal remedies against the order," the statement said.

WHO sends three tons of medical supplies to hospitals in quake-hit Myanmar

PTI, NEW DELHI: Responding to the immediate health needs of the thousands of people injured in the earthquakes that rocked Myanmar, WHO has provided nearly three tons of medical supplies to hospitals in Nay Pyi Taw and Mandalay -- the two cities hit the worst by the tremors.

In a statement, the World Health Organization (WHO) said the supplies, including trauma kits and multipurpose tents, had already reached a 1,000-bed hospital in Nay Pyi Taw and would soon reach the Mandalay General Hospital -- the two main facilities treating the injured in these areas.

These supplies were rushed from the emergency WHO stockpile in Yangon within 24 hours of two strong earthquakes of magnitudes 7.7 and 6.4 hitting central Myanmar on Friday, it added.

Rescue operations are underway. Bago, Magway, Mandalay, Nay Pyi Taw, Shan South and East and Sagaing were among the towns and cities to bear the maximum brunt of the quakes.

Hospitals are overwhelmed, with thousands of injured in need of medical care. There is huge need for trauma and surgical care, blood transfusion supplies, anaesthetics, essential medicines, management of mass casualty, safe water and sanitation, mental health and psychosocial support, among others, WHO said.

The multipurpose tents reaching the hospitals create additional space for the increasing number of injured while the trauma kits treat severe wounds and fractures, it added.

WHO is preparing a second despatch of Inter-Agency Emergency Health Kits early on Monday, with each having supplies to treat 10,000 people for three months.

The agency is providing operational support to the rapid response teams deployed in the hospitals of the affected areas.

Preparations are underway for WHO and partners to roll out a rapid needs assessment to better understand the gaps for a tailored response.

PTI, CHANDIGARH: The Punjab Police on Sunday claimed to have busted a trans-border narco-smuggling network with the arrest of two persons and the seizure of six kilogrammes of heroin.

According to preliminary investigations, the contraband was sent by Pakistan-based smugglers, the police said.

The Tarn Taran Police dismantled a trans-border narco-smuggling network and arrested two drug smugglers, Director General of Police Gaurav Yadav said in a post on X.

Hardeep Singh alias Deep and Harjeet Singh -- both residents of Thathi Sohal in Tarn Taran -- were arrested and six kilogrammes of heroin was seized, he said.

"Preliminary investigation reveals the role of Pakistan-based smugglers who sent the contraband," he further said and added both accused had criminal records.

Apart from recovering the heroin, police teams also impounded the car used to smuggle the drugs.

In a statement later, Yadav said preliminary investigations revealed that the arrested accused were in direct contact with Pakistan-based smugglers Billa and Shah, who were delivering drugs consignments from across the border.

A probe revealed that the consignments were being dropped from drones, he added.

Further investigations are underway to establish backward and forward linkages. More arrests and recoveries are likely in the coming days, the police chief said.

An FIR has been registered under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act.

The Punjab Police remains committed to dismantling drug cartels and making the state drug-free, Yadav said.



Rescuers conduct a search and rescue at a collapsed building in the aftermath of an earthquake in Mandalay, Myanmar



A woman reacts while waiting for news of missing loved ones at the site of an under-construction building collapse in Bangkok

Gelatin sticks trigger blast at Beed mosque, two held; accused shot reel with explosives

PTI, MUMBAI: Gelatin sticks kept allegedly by a man at a mosque triggered a blast in Maharashtra's Beed district early on Sunday, police said.

The police have arrested two persons in connection with the explosion that occurred around 2.30 am at the mosque in Ardhha Masla village in Georai tehsil, an official said.

According to the police, one of the arrested accused had earlier shot a reel with the explosives and a cigarette in his hand before placing them inside the mosque.

While no one was injured in the blast, the internal portion of the structure was damaged, he said. The police have arrested Vijay Rama Gavhane (22) and Sriram Ashok Sagde (24), both residents of Ardhha

Masla village, an official said. "Gavhane is involved in digging wells. He shot a reel earlier while smoking a cigarette and playing with a bundle of gelatin sticks. He might have obtained the sticks from a licensed seller," he said.

In rural Maharashtra, gelatin sticks are used to carry out blasts in wells, quarries and mines.

The local crime branch is probing into the incident, it was stated.

The incident led to tension in the village. An official said heavy security was deployed in the village to prevent law and order issues. The accused entered the mosque from the back and allegedly kept some gelatin sticks there, which triggered a blast, as per officials.

Heavy rush at temples on Navratri, Eid bring vibrancy to markets

PTI, SAMBHAL/AYODHYA: Devotees on the first day of Navratri on Sunday thronged temples in Sambhal, Varanasi, and Ayodhya, while markets were abuzz ahead of Eid, which is coming after a month-long run-up.

Tight security arrangements have been made to maintain peace and order in the state, which has seen communal confrontations in the recent past.

In Sambhal, devotees thronged the Chamunda Devi temple and the Durga temple at Rambagh Dham in Chandausi to offer prayers.

Chanchal Sunny Gupta, a municipal member from Ward 18, said, "There is enthusiasm among devotees in Sambhal. All temples have been cleaned, and the police have made excellent security arrangements." Bal Mukund Gupta, a devotee at Chamunda temple, said "It took me an hour to get darshan because of the heavy crowd." With Eid just a day away, markets are a hive of business activities, with shoppers thronging readymade clothing and footwear stores.

"Markets are bustling with people due to Eid.



People wait to offer prayers at the Sheeta Mata Temple on the Navratri festival, in Gurugram, Haryana

Business is thriving, and sales have been excellent," Ehtesham Ahmad, president of the All India In-

dustry and Trade Board in Sambhal, said. Cloth merchant Aslam concurred, "This Eid has

Tribals protest over construction of flyover near sacred site in Ranchi

PTI, RANCHI: A large number of tribal people on Sunday demonstrated against the construction of a flyover close to a sacred Sarna Sthal, officials said.

The protesters demanded that a ramp of the flyover being constructed in Siram Toli area be removed as it obstructs access to the religious site and could disturb its sanctity due to traffic movement.

The agitators from various places gathered at the ramp

site by breaking barricades put up by the police to stop them.

Heavy security deployment was made near the religious place to thwart any untoward situation. Sitting on the ramp, they raised slogans and demanded that the state government remove it.

An official of the Ranchi administration said that in view of the demand of tribal organisations, the ramp extension was already reduced by 30 feet giving clear passage to the Sarna Sthal.

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