

Lawyer jumps to death in Kanpur court premises

Kanpur: A 24-year-old lawyer on Thursday ended his life by jumping from the fifth floor of the court building here, police said.

Priyanshu Srivastava was rushed to Ursula Hospital, where doctors declared him brought dead. The incident triggered chaos in the court premises, with hundreds of lawyers gathering at the spot. A team from the Kotwali police cordoned off the area.

Deputy commissioner of police (East) Satyajeet Gupta said that Srivastava posted a two-page suicide note on his WhatsApp status shortly before the incident. His mobile phone was seized, and the note, along with other digital evidence, is under examination, he added.

According to the police, in the note, the lawyer urged that no one should blame his mother after his death and blamed no one for his move.

He also mentioned his struggles - failing to clear law exams despite completing his LLB in 2025, mounting family responsibilities, financial and mental distress due to his father's ill health.

The police are reviewing CCTV footage from the court premises. "The suicide note and WhatsApp status are being closely examined," Gupta told reporters.

The police seized his body for a post-mortem, and launched an investigation into the suicide, the DCP said. AGENCIES

'India-Africa ties will give world message of stability'

EAM: Upcoming Summit Chance To Deepen Engagement

New Delhi: As the world navigates through complex geopolitical challenges, the India-Africa partnership assumes particular significance, and it will be a message of "stability" and "reliability" in a turbulent and uncertain world, external affairs minister S Jaishankar said on Thursday.

Addressing a gathering at the unveiling of the logo, theme and website for the upcoming India-Africa Forum Summit IV, Jaishankar also asserted that together, India and Africa are not just development partners, but also



External affairs minister S Jaishankar speaks during the launch of the logo, theme and website of the 4th India-Africa Forum Summit in New Delhi

"partners in shaping a better world". His comments come in the backdrop of multiple conflicts in various parts of the world, including the one in West Asia that has stretched for more than 50 days with global ramifications.

The logo for the upcoming summit features a lion superimposed on an image depicting interlocking maps of India and Africa.

It carries the theme 'Enduring Partnership Shared Vision' and the date of the summit, May 28-31.

Jaishankar said the upcoming summit presents a

"unique opportunity" to further "deepen our engagement".

It will offer a platform to shape the next phase of the partnership, "one that is more ambitious, more inclusive and more future-oriented".

"As the world navigates through complex geopolitical and economic challenges, our partnership assumes particular significance. It will be a message of stability in a turbulent world, of reliability in an uncertain one, and of solidarity in difficult times," Jaishankar said.

"Together, India and Africa are not just development partners, but also partners in shaping a better world," he stressed. The event was attended by several ambassadors and diplomats from various African countries. PH

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1.1	Property No 1 (Symbolic Possession)-Industrial Unit: The Property is an Industrial Unit Named As M/S. V.K. Plastic Industries On NA Land Bearing KH.No. 2022/2 measuring Area 0.245 HR. Kh. No.203/3 measuring Area 0.089 HR (Total area of both kharsa numbers i.e. 0.334 Hec.) and Kh.No.195/8 bearing KH.No. 0.089 HR. (Total area measuring all three kharsa numbers are 0.400 Hec.). PH. No.14/58, situated in Village/Moza Garra, R.N.M. KANNI, P.W.D. Road, Balaghat - Warason Road, Tah. Lalbaria Dist. Balaghat (M.P.). Having N.A. Land Area Measuring 0.40 Hec. (10 Acres) for Industrial purpose and Building Consists of Main Factory Shed, Covered Shed, Hall Shed, Hall (Lean To Roof), Office Building is Provided. All Required Facilities Including Approach Road, Water and Electricity supply, Located At- Kharsa No -2022/2, 195/8 (Diverted Land) Moza -Garra, Tah. Lalbaria Dist. Balaghat (M.P.). Boundaries of Property is as under - East- Road, West- Road, North- Warason Approach Road, South- Road and Central Warehouse Central Together with all the fixtures, Plant, Machines, building structured constructed to be constructed attached with land and easementary rights, appurtenant and belonging therein	Reserve Price - Rs. 2,38,76,000.00/- (Two Crore Thirty Nine Lacs Seventy Six Thousand only) EMD - Rs. 23,87,600.00/- (Twenty Three Lacs Ninety Seven Thousand Six Hundred only)

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Date : 24.04.2026 Place: Nagpur

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

"APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to Rule 8(6) and Rule 9(1)]

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Sl. No.	Name & Address of Borrower/s / Guarantor/ Mortgagee/s	Give short description of the Movable and Immovable property with known encumbrances, if any	Total Dues	Date & Time of E-Auction	Reserve Price EMD/ Bid Increase Amount	Status of Possession	Property Inspection date & Time
1.	M/s. Siddheshwar Construction Company Partners (1) Mr. Bipendra Singh Yadav S/o Shri Jitendra Singh Yadav. Regd. Office-Panchsheel Nagar, Behind FCI Building, Civil Lines, Datia, M.P.(475661)	Description of Property 1: Equitable mortgage of residential plot measuring area 1472 Sq Ft of Survey No. 22224/2898 situated at Girdi Dalia Ward No.1 Tehsil & Dist. Dalia on which Residential House No. 713 Mohalla Panchsheel Nagar, Datia, M.P.(475661)	Rs. 9,98,57,095/- plus interest and other expenses incurred thereto w.e.f. 08.06.2021 less amount deposited, if any.	14.05.2026 From 02:00 PM to 6:00 PM	Rs. 75,00,000/- (RP) Rs. 7,50,000/- (EMD) Rs. 1,00,000/- (Bid Increase Amount)	Symbolic	From 24.04.2026 to 13.05.2026 10:00 AM to 04:00 PM
2.	M/s. Siddheshwar Construction Company Partners (2) Mr. Mukesh Sharma S/o Shri Ghanesh Sharma Regd. Office-Panchsheel Nagar, Behind FCI Building, Civil Lines, Datia, M.P.(475661)	Dalia is Built in the name of Mr. Jitendra Singh Yadav Boundaries: On the North By: 18'-0" wide Road On the South By: Land of Panchu Bagla On the East By: Road On the West By: Land of seller Description of Property 2: Equitable mortgage of commercial plot of Survey No. 87/4 measuring area 11,350 hsq. i.e. 113500 Sq. m. situated at Mauza Bighdharani Sani Halika Khamera R.N.M. Udagaava Tehsil & Dist. Dalia M.P. owned by Smt. Prabha Yadav W/O (Partner) Gali No. 4, Panchsheel Shri Jitendra Singh Yadav Boundaries: East Govt Land & Way, Nagar, Behind FCI Building, Civil West: Land Of Bagla, North: Land of Valdehi Vallabh Sharan, Lines, Datia, M.P. (475661) Mr. Mukesh Sharma S/o Shri Ghanesh Sharma (Partner) Near Hanuman Gadhri, Krishan Puri, Rajghat Colony, Datia, M.P. (475661)	Rs. 8,36,00,000/- (RP) Rs. 83,60,000/- (EMD) Rs. 1,00,000/- (Bid Increase Amount)				

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in Bank of Baroda secured website i.e. <https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction> and online auction portal Baanknet.com. Also, prospective bidders may contact the authorized officer on Mobile No. 9451845259, 9902929922.

Date : 22.04.2026 Place: Prayagraj Authorized Officer, Bank of Baroda

800 children enrolled, many of them for the first time

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Ten schools that had remained defunct for years—victims of both inaccessibility and insurgency—have been reopened, bringing 250 children back into classrooms. In parallel, 24 new primary schools have been established in habitations that had never seen formal education infrastructure. For nearly 500 children just admitted, this is their first experience of schooling and everything is so new for them. Taken together, over 800 children have been brought into the fold—numbers that, in isolation, may seem modest, but in Abujh-mah's terrain represent a structural breakthrough." Narayanpur collector Namrata Jain told TOI.

With a shrinking Maoist footprint, a recent door-to-door survey across 23,364 households in 83 gram panchayats—many of which were previously cut off when Red Terror was on a free run—identified 2,963 out-of-school children. Of these,

1,580 had never been enrolled, while another 1,605 dropped out from either far-away porta cabins or residential ashram, etc. they had to walk 7-8 km to reach out to the nearest school.

The Narayanpur collector said this would have been near impossible even a few years ago. "Earlier, access itself was the biggest challenge—both for administration and for communities," Jain said, adding, "With access to security and road connectivity, facilities are now reaching places it could not before."

The 'School Keinta' campaign, which literally translates to 'School is Calling', has been focusing on enrollment drives to introduce education and it begins with a more fundamental question: Where are the children?

For decades, in large parts of Narayanpur district, schooling was defined less by infrastructure and more by its absence. Villages scattered across dense forests and hills had little access to formal education,

as several schools remained shut, teachers stayed away and generations of children grew up outside the system. The only goal was to "survive somehow".

Responding to the initiative, which is bringing children back into the education system, chief minister Vishnu Mo Sai said, "Abujh-mah was once known as a region cut off by geography and conflict. Today it is emerging as a symbol of hope, where the silence of neglect is being replaced by the voices of children in classrooms. As Maoist influence recedes, our priority is clear—to ensure that governance reaches every last village and education reaches every last child."

Identifying every out-of-school child, strengthening anganwadis and ensuring community participation are key steps in this transformational effort.

"For us, education in Abujh-mah is not just about literacy—it is about dignity, opportunity and a future free from fear," the CM said.

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Last date for submission of tender is May 19, 2026.

Date: 24 April, 2026 Place: Mumbai

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Man murders mother with stone in J'hkhand

Pakur (J'hkhand): A 36-year-old man allegedly killed his 56-year-old mother with a stone in J'hkhand's Pakur district on Thursday, police said. The accused son, identified as Charan Hembram alias Ganja, has been arrested.

The incident took place at their house in Soto Tola in Sonaji village in the Town police station area during an altercation over a domestic issue. During the altercation, Charan attacked Shubini Hembram with a stone, and she died instantly. Pakur Sub-divisional Police Officer (SPDO) Dayanand Azad said, adding that a police team reached the spot and took the accused into custody.

The blood-stained stone has been seized and a case registered under sections of the BNS, the officer added. PH

Three held for robbing cab driver at knife-point in Delhi

New Delhi: Police said Thursday that three men were arrested for allegedly robbing a cab driver at knife-point, beating him with a beer bottle, and later demanding a Rs. 20,000 to return the vehicle.

According to police, the incident took place in the early hours of April 20 when the victim, a cab driver, accepted a ride booked from New Karala Road in Rohini to Chandi Chowk.

"At around 1 am, when the driver reached the pickup point near Krishna Block, three men, Ravi Kumar (20), Puspendra alias Kaale (21) and Hargovind alias Tochi (21), all residents of Jain Nagar in outer Delhi, boarded the cab after sharing the OTP. A short distance into the journey, one of them asked the driver to stop, claiming he had forgotten his mobile phone," a police officer said.

When the driver halted the vehicle, the trio allegedly pulled him out and attacked him with a beer bottle, causing head injuries. They then threatened him with a knife, snatched his mobile phone, robbed the cab and fled to wards Hanuman Chowk, police said.

Police said the injured driver made a PCR call from a passerby's mobile phone, and they admitted him to Sanjay Gandhi Hospital. Based on his statement, police registered a case at Begumpur police station.

Police said the accused later contacted the victim and demanded Rs 20,000 through UPI for returning the vehicle, sharing a mobile number for the transaction. PH

Bypolls: Rahuri, Baramati see 50% voting till 5 pm

Mumbai: Bypoll to the Baramati assembly seat in Maharashtra's Pune district, where Deputy Chief Minister and NCP president Sunetra Pawar was in the fray, recorded a voter turnout of around 50% till 5pm on Thursday, officials said. The voting percentage in Rahuri assembly constituency in Ahilyanagar district, which also saw a bypoll, was 50.74%, they said. Voting, which began at 7 am, concluded at 6 pm. The death of then Deputy Chief Minister and Nationalist Congress Party (NCP) president Ajit Pawar, who was shooting M.L.A. from Baramati, in a plane crash on January 28, necessitated the bypoll. PH