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Ex-MLA's grandson booked after shots fired

Five Held For Attack On Family Over Goat Grazing Dispute

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Rajkot: Tension gripped Sadak Pipaliya village in Gondal taluka of Rajkot district late on Saturday night after an armed group barged into a local family's home, fired shots in the air and assaulted members with metal pipes and sticks after a dispute over

grazing goats.

Rajkot Rural police arrested four persons and apprehended a minor in connection, while a manhunt has been launched to trace the prime accused, Dhruvrajsinh Jadeja, the grandson of former MLA Mahipatishinh Jadeja. The episode was captured on CCTV cameras.

Mamta Solanki, 21, alleged in a complaint at Gondal Taluka police station that 50-odd goats owned by her family strayed into Rajendra-sinh's field in neighbouring



Ribda village earlier that day, angering his son Dhruvraj-sinh over alleged crop damage. The family lives behind the Doctor Pump factory and Bhima Marwadi tends to the goats.

Later that night, a motorcycle and a large black vehicle carrying several armed men arrived outside Solanki house. According to police complaint, one man fired a round into the air, hurled verbal abuse and forced his way inside with associates carrying metal pipes and sticks.

The assailants first stormed into a room where Mamta's husband, Gopal, was asleep and hit him with a stick before he managed to flee to the outskirts of the village. The attackers then targeted Mamta's dead-end brother-in-law, dragging him out of a room and repeatedly striking him on his head and body until he collapsed unconscious and began bleeding. Believing him to be dead, the attackers moved to the verandah, where they assaulted the goat-herd, Bhima.

Before fleeing, the gunman pointed his weapon at the rest of the family, fired a second round into the air, and threatened them with death if their goats were to graze the fields again. The injured were taken to a govt hospital from where they were referred to a hospital in Rajkot for further treatment.

Rajkot DSP Vijay Singh Gurjar confirmed the arrests of Karan Ramaniya, Arman Hothi, Sanjeev Vial, and Surresh alias Sujatha Jhala, and detained the juvenile.

23 years on, man who fled with ₹95k held

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Rajkot: The surveillance team of Rajula police station nabbed a listed fugitive who had been evading arrest for over 23 years.

The accused, identified as Prakash Badhani (Badani), had allegedly fled in 2003 after stealing the salaries of security staff at Pipavav Port. The police tracked down Badhani, now 60, in Morbi.

Badhani, originally from Mahad in Mumbai, was employed as a security supervisor at Pipavav Port. He vanished after embezzling Rs 94,665 meant for the salaries of security personnel. The complaint was lodged at Rajula police station by Union Minister Lamba, a security officer at the port.

His listed investigations at his listed addresses in Junagadh and Mumbai in 2003 yielded no results. At the time,



A bounty of Rs 10,000 was announced for Prakash Badhani

his father told investigators that he had left home 20 years earlier. When police reached his home, his younger brother, Ashwin, in Mumbai, he revealed that the family had not heard from him in 35 years. Ashwin said his brother did not even return upon their mother's demise,

and the family considered him dead.

VM Kalodara, Inspector, Rajula police station, said, "Badhani had declared himself a wanted person. We took measures to conceal his identity and cover up his tracks. Investigators retrieved his date of birth (Dec 26, 1966) from old archives and

ran checks across various databases and social media platforms.

The technical analysis eventually flagged an individual matching the birth date living in Jodhpur, Rajasthan, under the alias "Prakash Badhani Shah".

A background verification revealed that since 2003, the accused had moved across multiple cities, including Jodhpur, Jaipur, Nasik, Vadodra, Jamnagar, Surat, Rajkot, Ahmedabad, Palanpur, and Morbi. He worked primarily as a security guard, under the assumed name of Prakash Shah, routinely opening new bank accounts, acquiring new SIM cards, and changing his cell addresses.

Investigators found that by 2024, Badhani had declared nine mobile numbers, closed three bank accounts, and deactivated his social media profiles, cutting off all previous contacts every time he relocated.

Crucial Breakthrough

The breakthrough came when investigators examined an old photograph linked to him that featured the name of an organisation in Rajasthan, "Nariyot Manojkash Kendra". The accused was also working for this organisation. From the organisation and through human intelligence, the police obtained his active phone number. Once his identity and live location were confirmed, the surveillance team moved in and arrested him from Morbi, where he was working in a car show room as a security guard.

During interrogation, Badhani confessed that he left his parental home in Mumbai in 1988. He later married in Vapi in 1995 and fathered two daughters, but abandoned his family in the year 2000. He admitted to a pattern of associating with small sums of cash, but he kept a job to make his past background.

Fresh FIR alleges land grabbing in guise of loan

Rajkot: City crime branch

registered a fresh case in the alleged land-loan scam that has already seen several complaints registered, after a farmer accused a group of loan operators of retaining control of his land despite full repayment of a Rs 9 lakh loan and later demanding Rs 1 crore to return it.

The latest complaint has been filed by Lalji Mepa Fargiya, a resident of Sansara village in Rajkot district. Based on his complaint, police have initiated proceedings against Alpesh Donga, Jitendra Nishit and Hareesh Kotadiwala.

Donga is the key figure in an alleged network accused of deceiving farmers seeking small loans into executing sale deeds for valuable agricultural land. Police say the arrangement was presented as a temporary advance against loans with assurances that the deeds would be cancelled once the loan was repaid. No

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Pride of five lions spotted on Datar hill

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Amreli: Tense moments were witnessed on Datar Hill in Junagadh early on Monday morning when devotees spotted a pride of five Asiatic lions on the steps leading up the hill.

The lions climbed to a height of around 3,200 feet, prompting forest officials to rush to the spot to prevent any confrontation between the animals and devotees.

On receiving information about the lions' presence, a team of forest guards, apartment personnel and trackers reached the hill and began monitoring their movements. The team ensured that devotees maintained a safe distance before guiding the lions away from the steps and back into the forest.

In July, a lion had attacked and killed an 11-year-old boy climbing the Girnar hill with his family.

A video grab of one of the lions



Two rescued after house collapses



The dilapidated house collapsed on Vadva Panwadi Road in Bhavnagar

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Rajkot: Two people were trapped under debris and had to be hospitalised after a two-story house collapsed during repair work on Vadva Panwadi Road in Bhavnagar around 1 pm on Monday.

The injured have been identified as 80-year-old Rajendra and Pooja Chaudhary. Preliminary investigations revealed that the ground-plus-one structure, owned by Jayendra Nandlal, was in a severely dilapidated condition when it collapsed.

Following an emergency call received through the 112 helpline, the Bhavnagar Municipal Corporation (BMC) fire department dispatched a rescue team to the site.

Information about the building collapse was received by the fire department's control room at around 1 pm. A rescue team was immediately sent to the spot, said Bhavnagar chief fire officer Pradyumnsinh Jadeja.

Local residents sprung into action and rescued one of the trapped individuals before the fire brigade personnel could reach the spot. He was rushed to a nearby hospital for treatment.

Five brigade personnel later rescued the second victim from beneath the rubble and shifted him to hospital.

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STATE BANK OF INDIA		SALE FOR IMMovable PROPERTIES UNDER SARFAESI ACT		E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE	
Breadbasket Recovery Branch, 1st Floor, 8th Cross, 1st Stage, 1st Block, Near New Marine Lines, Mumbai - 400020 (Helpdesk Number: +91 8291220220) at the web portal: https://sbibank.com		APPENDIX I-A (SEE PROVISION TO RULE 8(i))		DATE : 29.10.2026	
Sr. No.	Details of Property	Amount to be Recovered	Possession Type / Date	Name of Borrower / Guarantor	Title Deed Holder
1	Industrial Property situated at Plot No. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 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