

Friday, May 16, 2025 VJAYAWADA

Two CISF men booked after man killed in 'road rage'

The Hindu Bureau KOCHI

Two officers of the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) have been charged with murder after they allegedly drove with a young man clutching the bonnet of their car over a kilometre before he was thrown off and then fatally knocked down by the vehicle in a suspected case of road rage at Nayathodu, near the Kochi airport on Wednesday.

The accused are CISF inspector Vinay Kumar Das, 28, and constable Mohan Kumar, 31, both residents of Bihar and posted at the Kochi airport. The victim was identified as Ivin Jijo, 25, of Thuravoor, near Angamaly. He was a chef with a flight catering service and was on his way to report for his night shift.

"We have the two accused under surveillance and are collecting further evidence. We are verifying eyewitness accounts, CCTV footage, as well as a video shot by the victim. A first information report (FIR) has been registered. Whether the accused were under the influence of alcohol remains to be verified," said District Police Chief (Ernakulam Rural) M. Hemalatha.

According to the FIR, the cars of the victim and the accused brushed against each other while travelling along a narrow road, triggering a verbal duel. Meanwhile, the CISF suspended both the accused from service and ordered an inquiry.

Restore Kancharla Gachibowli forest or risk jail for officials: SC to Telangana

Supreme Court raps State authorities over illegal deforestation; IT infrastructure and ecology could go hand in hand, argues State's counsel; Chief Justice Gavi asks why felling of trees was initiated during a long weekend when courts were closed

Krishnadas Rajagopal NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Thursday gave the State of Telangana a choice between restoring the ruined acres of Kancharla Gachibowli forest where trees were felled for an IT infrastructure project during an extended weekend or face the prospect of its Chief Secretary and "half a dozen officials" being sent to a "temporary prison".

"It is for the State to make a choice between restoring the forest or having the Chief Secretary and

officials in prison," Chief Justice B.R. Gavi said firmly on Thursday.

Senior advocate A.M. Singhvi, appearing for Telangana, said the State deserved its day in court to persuade that IT and ecology could go together.

"We have always been advocates of sustainable development. But the question here is the felling of thousands of trees" the Chief Justice reacted.

Forest Survey report Mr. Singhvi maintained that "thousands" of trees were not cut. "We have seen the photographs,"



Nature's loss: Excavators used by the State government seen in the 400-acre land in Kancharla Gachibowli, in Hyderabad last month. PTI

Chief Justice Gavi responded.

Amicus curiae, senior advocate K. Parameswar, drew the attention of the court to a finding in a For-

est Survey of India report that out of the 104 acres cut in two nights, over 60% had been moderately and heavily dense forest. "So there is a very clear find-

ing," Mr. Parameswar submitted.

The State had previously denied the land was a forest. The claim sprung up only after developmental activities commenced following the allotment of the land. Mr. Singhvi said the intention of the State was bona fide.

"If your intention was bona fide, why did you start the felling of the trees at the beginning of a long weekend when courts were closed?" Chief Justice Gavi responded.

The court scheduled the case for further hearing on July 23.

Tiger kills man in Kerala rubber plantation, residents hold stir

The Hindu Bureau MALAPPURAM

A 44-year-old rubber tapper, Gafoor Ali, was mauled to death by a tiger while working at a plantation at Adakkakundu, near Kalikavu, in the eastern part of Malappuram district on Thursday morning.

Gafoor Ali from Kallammoola in Chokkad grama panchayat was about to start tapping work at a rubber plantation when the tiger attacked him from behind. His co-worker Samad who was with him fled for safety as the tiger pounced

on Gafoor and dragged him away. A joint search by the forest and police officers found Gafoor's body in a bushy area 200 metres behind the rubber plantation.

Local residents, angered by the tiger attack, refused to let Gafoor's body be removed from the spot. They accused the forest staff of ignoring their repeated complaints in the past several months about the threat of wild animals, including tigers, leopards and elephants.

"The forest staff did not even install a trap or cage

to capture the wild cat," said a local resident.

Meanwhile, a couple of kumki elephants were brought to Nilambur to capture the tiger. A team of forest veterinary surgeons also reached Kalikavu to join the anti-tiger drive.

A.P. Anil Kumar, MLA of Wandoor, held talks with the agitating residents and assured them immediate action. Forest Minister A.K. Saseendran said the government would release the first tranche of the gratia payment, estimated at ₹10 lakh, to the next of kin of Gafoor immediately.

2.5 lakh girl students to get APF scholarship

The Hindu Bureau BENGALURU

The Azim Premji Foundation (APF) on Thursday announced the Azim Premji Scholarship for up to 2.5 lakh girl students from government schools across 18 States for pursuing higher education.

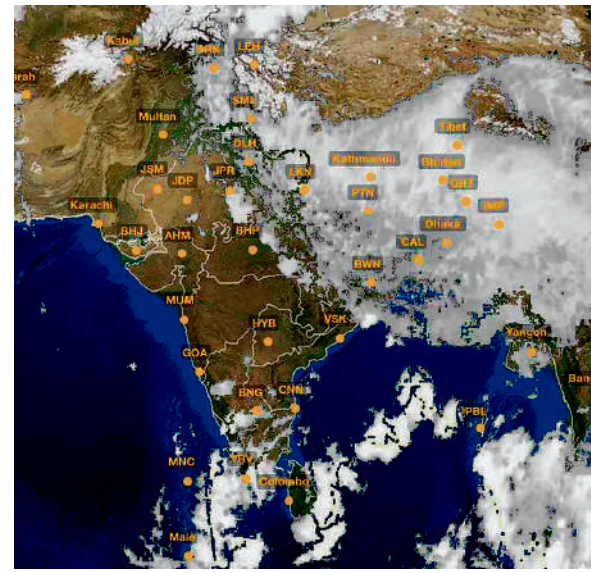
A scholarship of ₹30,000 will be given annually to girl students who have passed their 10th and 12th exams in government schools and have received admission in a bona fide higher education institution (HEI). These bona fide

HELs will include government HEIs and selective private HEIs. The scholarship will continue till the girl's college/university programme, as long as she successfully continues in the programme. "There is no additional criteria or eligibility for the candidates. We are not conducting any exams or checking the financial backgrounds of the students," said Anurag Behar, the Chief Executive Officer of the Azim Premji Foundation.

The application process for 2025-26 will start in September 2025.

WEATHERWATCH

Rainfall, temperature & air quality in select metros yesterday



TEMPERATURE DATA: IMD, POLLUTION DATA: CPCB, MAP: INSAT/IMD (TAKEN AT 18.00 HRS)

Forecast for Friday: Heavy/very heavy rainfall likely at isolated places over Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Meghalaya, Sikkim, Sub Himalayan West Bengal, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Puduchery and Karikal. Heat wave conditions likely at isolated places over west Rajasthan, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh and Bihar

Table with columns: CITY, RAIN, MAX, MIN. Lists various Indian cities and their weather conditions for the previous day.

Table with columns: CITY, SO2, NO, CO, PM2.5, PM10, CODE. Lists air quality data for various cities, including AQI readings and pollution levels.

Air Quality Code: Poor, Moderate, Good (Readings indicate average AQI) SO2: Sulphur Dioxide. Short-term exposure can harm the respiratory system, making breathing difficult. It can affect visibility by reacting with other air particles to form haze and stain culturally important objects such as statues and monuments.

SANJEEVINI-Karnataka State Rural Livelihood Promotion Society Skill Development, Entrepreneurship and Livelihood Department #4, 2ND FLOOR, MYSUGAR Building, J.C Road, Near Town Hall, Bengaluru-560002 Email:nrlmkarnataka@gmail.com Telephone No.080-29540333

Expression of Interest (Eoi) Subject: Inviting Proposals under Deen Dayal Upadhyha Grameen Kaushalya Yojana 2.0 (DDU-GKY 2.0) project in the State of Karnataka Sanjeevini - Karnataka State Rural Livelihood Promotion Society (KSRLPS), under the Skill Development, Entrepreneurship and Livelihood Department, Government of Karnataka is implementing Deen Dayal Upadhyha Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY). Sanjeevini KSRLPS invites proposals from the Agencies who are registered under Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India and are having valid Permanent Registration Number (PRN) for the implementation of Deen Dayal Upadhyha Grameena Kaushalya Yojana 2.0 (DDU-GKY 2.0) project for the target of 3395 candidates in the State of Karnataka.

The agencies having expertise and willingness to impart high quality training and provide placement opportunities in the sectors like IT-ITES, Fashion Technology, BFSI, Food Processing, Domestic Worker, Healthcare, Automotive, Aerospace and Aviation, Green Jobs, Management and Entrepreneurship & Professional, Telecom, People with Disability, Logistics and Supply Chain Management, Media & Entertainment, Retail, Tourism and Hospitality (but not limited to) are encouraged to submit their proposals. For detailed information you may visit the portal https://ksrpls.karnataka.gov.in.

The Agencies should submit the proposal online through the Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) designated portal https://kaushal.rural.gov.in adhering to the procedures and guidelines of DDU-GKY 2.0 published by Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) along with the non-refundable Application fee of Rs. 25,000/- (Twenty-Five Thousand Rupees only) plus applicable GST. After clearing/passed the initial screening, the applicant agencies shall be intimated to deposit Rs. 1,25,000/- (One Lakh Twenty-Five Thousand Rupees only) plus applicable GST for Quality Appraisal (QA).

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SHORT TERM REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NOTIFICATION Short-term Request for Proposal (RfP) has been invited through e-Procurement platform (https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) for empanelment of OEM/Manufactures/ MoU Holders for Supply and laying of High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) 420 GSM (500 Microns-Type-II) Geo Membrane Sheet for lining of Water harvesting structures constructed (IS: 15351:2015 BIS license) under Departmental Krishi Bhagya Program for the year 2025-26 and 2026-27.

A.P. STATE HOUSING CORPORATION LTD., NIRMAAN BHAVAN, Plot No.11 & 12, Auto Nagar, Vijayawada-520007 NOTICE INVITING TENDER (1st call) NIT No.1st call / 605/E&P/APSCHCL/R&R/ Balance Works / 2025. Dt.14.05.2025

TIRUMALA TIRUPATI DEVASTHANAMS-TIRUPATI TTD TRANSPORT e - TENDER NOTICE TTD No.07/GM(T)/TTD/2025 Tender ID No. 809069

LIC HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED TIRUPATI AREA OFFICE : 1 FLOOR, P M R PLAZA, V V MAHAL ROAD, TIRUPATHI -517501, Ph No. 9849687856, 9704020357, 87928 53764

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE WHEREAS the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of LIC Housing Finance Ltd (LIC HFL), under Securitization Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 & in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 had issued Demand Notice to following Borrowers/Mortgagors calling upon them to repay the outstanding due amount mentioned in the said notices. However, the Borrowers/Mortgagors having failed to repay the said due amount, the undersigned has taken PHYSICAL POSSESSION of the following properties in exercise of powers conferred U/s 13(4) and U/s 14 of the said Act read with the Rule 8 of the said Rules.