

GUN LICENCE 'SCAM'

After sanction from Govt, &K revenue secy to face trial

Comes after J&K HC's criticism of 'selective prosecution' in the case

ARUN SHARMA JAMMU, DECEMBER 31 The CENTRAL government has allowed the CBI to prosecute B&K Revenue Secretary Kumar Rajeev Ranjan for alleged irregularities in granting gun licences, making him the first IAS officer against whom a prosecution sanction has been granted in the case.

According to sources, the case to prosecute the IAS officer was granted through an order dated November 28, 2024, in a case registered by CBI under Prevention of Corruption Act, 2006.

The CBI is probing irregularities in granting over 7.74 lakh gun licences between 2012 and 2016 — when J&K was still a state — by district magistrates (DMs), deputy commissioners and other licensing authorities for "monetary considerations". Sources estimate the alleged scam to run into more than ₹100 crore.

In October, the CBI told the court it was still awaiting prosecution sanction against 16 erstwhile District Magistrates (13 IAS officers and three KAs officers) who, during their posting in different districts of the erstwhile J&K state, had issued gun licences "illegally" to "intelligible people" across the country.

Moradabad district admin reopens temple shut 'since 1980 communal violence'

LAKHNAU, DECEMBER 31

THE MORADABAD district administration has reopened a century-old temple that had been shut since 1980, when communal violence erupted in the city.

Gaur Shankar Temple is situated in the Nagdani area. During restoration, the administration excavated the inner sanctum of the temple and claimed to have discovered some damaged idols of deities. Renovation work is underway and plans to reinstate the temple to its 'original state'.

E Tender Notice No.26 Of 2024-25

On behalf of The Governor of Gujarat, The Executive Engineer, U.K. L.B.C.Inv.Dn.No.2, Valod, Ta.Valod Dist-Tapi-394640, (Ph.No.02625-222052) here by invites Tenders (1) One tender amounting Rs.2.28 Cr. From Contractor registered in appropriate class with N.W.R.W.S. and K Dept. or R and B Dept, Gujarat. Tender can be downloaded online from website. www.tender.nprocure.com On From Date. 01-01-2025 to Date 21-01-2025 upto 11:00 hrs. Tender will be opened on Date 21-01-2025 at 12:00 hrs.

AHMEDABAD MUNICIPAL CORPORATION CATTLE NUISANCE CONTROL DEPARTMENT

ABOVE CENTRAL STORE, OPP JAGNATH TEMPLE, AHMEDABAD-380001. Tel: 079-25395506, cnc@ahmedabadcity.gov.in

ALL Pet Dog owners of Ahmedabad city are being hereby informed that Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation has started a registration of Pet Dog in Ahmedabad city limit area as per ABC Rule - 2023 and NAPRE - 2023 (Rabies Free City Plan) from 1st January 2025 to 31st March 2025. For that you can apply online on website https://ahmedabad.gov.in

NECESSARY DOCUMENTS PROCEDURE - Aadhar Card / Election Card - Tax bill, Light bill - Photograph of Applicant, Photograph of Pet Dog, Photograph of a place to keep Pet Dog. - Pet Dog Vaccine Card issued by Registered Veterinary Doctor.

FOR MORE DETAILS AND INFORMATION IF REQUIRED YOU CAN CONTACT ON BELOW NUMBERS, (1) Superintendent (CNCD), (2) Veterinary Doctor, (CNCD) Address:- As Above Mob No. 9227725713 Address:- As Above Mob No. 9099152977

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'Depiorable': Pinarayi sams on PM's 'Kerala is mini Pak' remark

SHAJU PHILIP THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, DEC 31

KERALA CM Pinarayi Vijayan Tuesday said Maharashtra BJP minister Nitesh Rane's state minister calling Kerala a 'mini Pakistan' is highly provocative and deplorable.

Addressing a function in Pune, Rane had said, "Kerala is mini Pakistan, that is why Rahul Gandhi and his sister are elected from there. All terrorists vote for this. This is the truth, you can ask. They have become MPs after taking terrorists with them."

In a sharp response, Vijayan said, "The Maharashtra minister's words reflected the Sangh Parivar's approach towards Kerala. Sangh Parivar is of the view that it can alienate places where it finds it difficult to gain control, by unleashing such hate campaigns. The minister is not fit to continue in his post. It is surprising that the leadership of the party that rules the country has not reacted to the statement of the minister, who has breached the oath of office by misusing the Constitution of the country."

The Congress also deplored Rane's statement but sought to link the controversy with the recent statements of CPIM(M) leaders about Rahul and Priyanka's victories in Wayanad.

AICC general secretary K C Venugopal said the minister had hurt Kerala's secular mindset. "People want to know whether

the PM and Kerala CM have the same view. It is the CPIM(M) stand that prompted the BJP to spit communal venom. The minister should be asked to resign if he is not qualified. The Congress will politically and legally fight against the statement which depicted people of Wayanad as terrorists," he said.

After Priyanka's win in Wayanad, the CPIM(M) in Kerala had alleged that a communal Muslim alliance was behind her and her brother's victories. Two weeks ago, CPIM(M) politburo member A Vijayaraghavan said in a party convention that without the support of the communal Muslim alliance, Rahul would not have reached Delhi (won the LS seat), referring to Priyanka's victory in Wayanad election. Vijayaraghavan said the worst extremist elements were in her procession.

The CPIM(M) leader's reference to Wayanad went in line with the change in the approach of the CPIM(M) after the LS polls, during which the party faced a backlash over its bid to woo minority voters.

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raiganj, Amarnath Upadhyay, acted with malicious intent, and as part of a larger conspiracy, removed the case and kept on September 13, 2019, without issuing any notice or providing compensation.

Asklah alleged that the action was taken in retaliation against a complaint he had filed earlier, highlighting irregularities in the construction of a 21-km stretch of NH-730, police said.

The case was lodged at the Kotwali police station in Maharajganj Monday evening against 26 named and several unidentified persons. Apart from the DM, the persons named included an Additional DM, an Additional SP, engineers, private contractors, inspectors, and sub-inspectors.

FIR lodged against ex-Maharajganj DM, other officials over 2019 house demolition

MANISH SAHU LUCKNOW, DECEMBER 31

THE UP POLICE registered an FIR against several officials in connection with the demolition of a house in Maharajganj district in 2019, allegedly without proper notice, for the purpose of road widening. Officials booked in the case include then Maharajganj DM Amarnath Upadhyay as well as engineers and police personnel.

This comes over a month after the Supreme Court criticised the "high-handed" approach of UP authorities in demolishing the house. In its directions on November 6, the SC told authorities to pay ₹25 lakh compensation to the house owner. The court had also directed UP's

enquiry against officers and contractors responsible for the demolitions and to initiate disciplinary action against them.

According to police, complainant Manoj Tibrewal Akash alleged that then DM of Mah-

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Maharajganj SP Somendra Meena said no arrests have been made so far. He also said the investigation was transferred to the UP Police's Crime Branch, as directed by the court. The then DM Upadhyay is currently posted as Special Secretary in the UP Employment of Persons With Disabilities Department.

Asklah, said, "The Supreme Court on November 6 directed an inquiry and disciplinary action against officials within a month. When the government failed to take action, I sent an email to Chief Secretary stating I would file a contempt plea. On Monday evening, the case was filed. I will wait for action and if no action is taken in 90 days, I will move the SC to transfer the probe to CBI."

VISHVESVARAYA TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY, BELAGAVI, KARNATAKA, India. Ref: VTU/BGMLB/Consortium/25/2024-25/5003 Dated: 24/12/2024

NOTIFICATION INVITATION FOR PROPOSAL FROM PUBLISHERS OF E-RESOURCES. Vishvesvaraya Technological University, Belagavi, invites proposals from publishers of e-resources...

WESTERN RAILWAY-AHMADABAD DIVISION TENDER DOCUMENT. For and on behalf of the President of India, Chief Mechanical Engineer, Carriage Repair Workshop, Bhavnagar Para, Western Railway Invites Tender...

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adani Renewables Adani Green Energy Limited NOTICE TO MEMBERS. (a) The Company has completed the dispatch of Notice of Postal Ballot on December 31, 2024 to the Members whose names appear in the Company's Register of Members as on the closure of business hours on December 27, 2024 by the permitted mode of dispatch.

EX-PRESIDENT ON WASHINGTON POST REPORT

No talk with me, India won't back any regime change move in Maldives: Nasheed

EX-PRESIDENT ON WASHINGTON POST REPORT NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 31

HOURS AFTER a report in The Washington Post claimed that the Indian intelligence explored a plan with the Maldives Opposition to oust President Mohamed Muizzu following his election last year, Mohamed Nasheed, the island nation's former President, said he does not believe India will be willing to assist in a regime change and "never had any such conversation with me."

Citing a document titled 'Democratic Renewal Initiative', the Post claimed that the Maldivian Opposition proposed bringing 40 MPs, including those from Muizzu's own party, to vote to impeach him, and also paying 10 senior army and police officers.

He claimed the plotters failed to gather enough votes to impeach Muizzu, and India did not pursue or finance an attempt to oust him.

Reached for comment, former President Nasheed told The Indian Express that India is the world's largest democracy and a society ruled by law. In a statement, Nasheed said, "I have had over 20 years of close association with all levels of Indian government and institutions. I find that India respects the other point of view when you are disagreeing. It does not dictate its perceptions and beliefs to other countries, political parties or political leaders. In my conversations with India I have found that it is India's view that strengthening

Maldives democratic process, institutions and its economy is not only in the best interest of Maldives, but also in the interest of India. The Democratic (MDP) Party is the first democratic political party in the Maldives and the movement that brought democracy to the Maldives. Therefore, it is understandable that MDP enjoys a healthy relationship with India and MDP leadership might find it easy to make any manner and number of requests from India, but that is not to say that India will be willing to fulfill all MDP requests," he said.

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In a post on X, Nasheed said he was not aware of any plans to overthrow Muizzu's administration, and accused some of always engaging in conspiracy theories. "India will not support such an action. They have always respected democracy in Maldives. India has never dictated ways on us," he wrote.

There was no response from the Maldives government — either the President's office or the Maldives High Commission in New Delhi — to requests for comment on the Post report. The Indian government too did not comment on the report. But sources in New Delhi rejected the report, calling it a "figment of imagination".

TENDER NOTICE No. 36 OF 2024-25

Road & Building Department, Government of Gujarat

In the name of Government of Gujarat state the below mentioned work is invited by the Executive Engineer Valsad (R&B) Division Valsad, Jilla Seva Sadan No. 2, 1st Floor, Pin. code No. 396001, Phone - (02632) 244128 Invites by E-Tendering. Details of tenders can be viewed on web site https://www.tender.nprocure.com

Table with 3 columns: Sr. No., Name of work, Estimate cost (Rs. in lacs)

Above work can be downloaded up to Dtd. 15/01/2025 at 18: 00 hrs & Tender will be opened next day if possible.

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EXTRAORDINARY PART II - Section 3 - Sub-section (i) प्राधिकार से प्रकाशित

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NOTIFICATION (Western Railway in connection to Organisation)

Mumbai, the 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 S.O. 5556(E). - In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (i) of section 20A of the Railways Act, 1989 (24 of 1989) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government hereby informs that for the public purpose, the land, the brief description of which has been set out in the schedule annexed hereto, is required for the execution of the Special Railway Project, namely, Connecting to provide New 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Brouge Grade Line of Samakhil Gandhimath Project in District Kutch in the State of Gujarat, hereby declare its intention to acquire such land.

Any person interested in the said land may, within a period of thirty days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, raise objection to the acquisition after the close of business hours for a period of ten days after the expiry of the said period.

The lands parcels and other details of the land covered under this notification are available and can be inspected by the interested person at the address of office of the competent authority.

SCHEDULE Brief description of the land to be acquired with or without structure for the Special Railway Project, namely, Connecting to provide New 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Brouge Grade Line of Samakhil Gandhimath Project in District Kutch in the State of Gujarat.

Table with 5 columns: Sr. No., Name of Village, Survey No., Land Type, Area of Land to be acquired (In Sq.m)

Total Land 7,93.23 [Office P. No. E-3781497 HARSH KUMAR, Chief Project Manager (CR - B)]

