

Bus-bike crash kills two in Dhar NH-26

Dhar: The relentless surge of fatal road accidents continues to plague Madhya Pradesh, with two more lives tragically lost in a horrific collision between a bus and a motorcycle in the Dhar district. The incident, a stark reminder of the dangers of uncontrolled speed, occurred on National Highway 26 near the Nisarpur police post.

The devastating crash unfolded when a bus, en route from Barwani to Manawar, made a turn to refuel at a nearby pump. At that precise moment, it collided head-on with an oncoming motorcycle. The impact was catastrophic.

One of the motorcycle riders succumbed to his injuries at the scene, his life extinguished instantly. The second rider, critically injured, was rushed towards a



hospital in Barwani, but tragically passed away en route, unable to survive the severity of his wounds.

The two young men on the motorcycle have been identified as residents of Lunhera Loghari, under the Dehri police post. They

were reportedly en route to Government College Barwani to submit documents, their routine errand turning into a fatal journey.

Upon receiving the distress call, local police swiftly arrived at the accident site to commence their investigation. The area around the collision was cordoned off as emergency services worked to manage the aftermath.

This latest tragedy underscores the urgent need for heightened road safety measures and stricter enforcement of traffic regulations across Madhya Pradesh. As investigations continue, the community mourns the untimely demise of these two individuals, praying for an end to the "speed epidemic" that continues to claim precious lives on the state's highways.

Cloth merchant dies by suicide, family alleges harassment over loan

Indore: A 45-year-old clothing merchant, Mahendra Jadhav, allegedly died by suicide on Friday evening after consuming poison outside the district hospital. The incident has sent shockwaves through the local business community.

Before taking the extreme step, Mahendra recorded a video in which he named several persons, accusing them of harassing him repeatedly over a loan—despite him making timely repayments. The video has gone viral on social media and is now a key part of the ongoing investigation.

According to sources, Mahendra left home on Friday morning, telling his wife and children that he was going to the market. Instead, he went to the district hospital, where he reportedly informed doctors that he had consumed poison. As his condition worsened, he was immediately referred to Maharaja Yeshwantrao (MY) Hospital. Unfortunately, he died during treatment.

Police have begun investigating the matter based on the contents of the video. A case has been registered, and statements from the accused individuals are expected to be recorded soon.

Two young lives lost in horrific hit-and-run

Tragedy strikes Balaghat

Balaghat: A devastating hit-and-run accident on the Lalbarra road late Friday night claimed the lives of two young men, leaving their families in profound grief. The collision occurred near Garra Depot at the Dashahara Tola curve when a car violently struck their motorcycle.

The victims have been identified as Rahul, son of Gopi Chand, a resident of Garra, and Sanjay Marskole, son of Rameshwar Marskole, from Chhatera in Lalbarra. The two friends were reportedly en route from Behrai (Lalbar-

ra) towards Garra when their motorcycle was hit with such force that both riders were tragically thrown into the air before landing on the ground.

Driver flees scene, investigation underway

Eyewitnesses report that the driver of the offending car fled the scene immediately after the horrific impact, leaving the critically injured youths on the roadside. An ambulance swiftly transported the victims to the district hospital, where doctors, sadly, pronounced both Rahul and Sanjay deceased upon arrival. Due to the late hour, post-mortem examinations were conducted on Sat-

urday morning.

The loss has been particularly heartbreaking for Rahul's family, as he was the only son of Gopi Chand, who works at the Waraseoni Municipality.

Local police have registered a case and launched an intensive search operation for the absconding car driver. Authorities are urging anyone with information about the incident or the whereabouts of the driver to come forward to assist in the investigation. The community mourns the untimely demise of these two young lives, highlighting the urgent need for stricter enforcement and greater road safety awareness to prevent such avoidable tragedies.

Negligence claims two young lives in Khandwa

Children drown in unsecured highway construction pits

Khandwa: A heart-wrenching tragedy has struck Khandwa, where the alleged negligence of authorities and a highway construction company has led to the drowning deaths of two young boys. The incident occurred in the water-filled pits dug for highway development near the Nagchun Talab area, leaving their families consumed by inconsolable grief.

The two children, residents of Surgaon Nipani village, had reportedly gone to bathe in these treacherous water-filled

depressions. It was during this innocent act that the fatal accident unfolded. Distraught family members rushed the unconscious boys to the district hospital, but medical staff, tragically, pronounced them dead on arrival.

Bereaved relatives are vehemently accusing the company responsible for the highway construction of gross dereliction of duty. They contend that the company excavated deep pits for their work and failed to secure them ade-

quately, allowing them to fill with water during the monsoon season. The children, who frequently herded buffaloes in the same vicinity, were tragically unaware of the hidden danger lurking beneath the surface.

This devastating incident has sparked outrage among the local community, highlighting serious concerns about safety protocols at ongoing construction sites, especially in areas accessible to the public.

Tehsildar and doctors clash over encroachment

Tragedy strikes Balaghat Tempers flare at Shajapur Hospital: Video goes viral

Shajapur: A heated altercation, escalating into a physical scuffle and a war of words, erupted at the Shajapur District Hospital yesterday between a local tehsildar and doctors. The dispute, centered around the removal of an encroachment near the Hanuman Temple on hospital grounds, led to doctors halting work in protest.

The incident unfolded when Tehsildar Sunil Patil arrived to clear the encroachment but found Civil Surgeon Dr. B.S. Maina absent. After a prolonged wait, Tehsildar Patil reportedly became



agitated and confronted Resident Medical Officer (RMO) Dr. Govind Patidar. The disagreement quickly spiraled, with allegations of abusive language being exchanged. A video circulating online reportedly shows the tehsildar attempting to

snatch Dr. Patidar's mobile phone during the dispute.

Doctors cease work, emergency talks underway

In response to the confronta-

tion, doctors at the district hospital immediately ceased all work, causing significant disruption to services. Upon learning of the incident, Shajapur Sub-Divisional Magistrate (SDM) Manisha Vaskale promptly arrived at the hospital. She was seen engaging in closed-door discussions with the doctors to de-escalate the situation and find a resolution. Details of these talks and any potential agreement have not yet been released.

As of now, neither the tehsildar nor the doctors have filed a formal complaint with the police regarding the incident. The standoff continues to draw attention, highlighting the escalating tensions between local administration and medical staff over the encroachment issue.

Toddler dies after ingesting pesticide accidentally

Indore: A one-and-a-half-year-old boy tragically lost his life after accidentally consuming a poisonous substance in Khudail, near Indore. The incident occurred on Thursday night when the toddler, Priyansh, picked up a bottle of pesticide kept in the veranda outside his house and put it in his mouth.

According to Khudail police, the child began bleeding from the mouth shortly after ingesting the substance. His mother noticed the symptoms and raised an alarm. The family immediately rushed him to a nearby private hospital, where he was admitted to the ICU for emergency treatment. Doctors later advised shifting him to Maharaja Yeshwantrao (MY) Hospital for advanced care.

Priyansh was taken to MY Hospital around 11 pm by his father Omkar and other family members. However, upon examination, doctors declared the child

dead.

Priyansh was playing with children

The family said Priyansh had been playing with neighbourhood children earlier in the evening. It was during this time that he reportedly came across the unattended bottle of pesticide and accidentally consumed it.

Omkar, the child's father, works at a sack manufacturing company. The family, originally from Barthara village near Bhind, moved to Indore about seven months ago in search of livelihood. Omkar's elder son, aged 7, stays with his grandparents, while his 8-year-old daughter lives with the family in Khudail.

The child's body has been kept in the mortuary at MY Hospital, and a postmortem will be conducted on Saturday. Police are investigating the incident.

Rainfall reveals what RTI couldn't

Gwalior's Govt Hospital wall collapses after just 4 years

Gwalior: Monsoon showers in Madhya Pradesh's Gwalior-Chambal region has once again proven their investigative capabilities — exposing shoddy construction work where audits and inspections failed.

In the DD Nagar area of Gwalior, a 50-foot-long section of the boundary wall of a government community health center came crashing down during heavy rainfall. The wall, proudly built just four years ago with a "guaranteed life of 20 years", couldn't withstand even a single spell of determined rain. Apparently, warranties in government projects now come with a "valid until first monsoon" clause.

Locals allege that substandard materials were used during construction — a theory that doesn't exactly need CSI-



level investigation, given the wall's spectacular collapse. The structure fell so suddenly and completely that even dominoes would've applauded its precision.

Anger is brewing among residents, who are now questioning not just the contractor's craftsmanship, but the administration's oversight — or lack thereof. "What exactly was guaranteed for 20 years — the wall or the corruption behind it?" asked a visibly frustrated local resident.

As the rubble lies in plain sight and the health center remains exposed, the pressing question is: Will anyone be held accountable? Or will this, like many other crumbling public projects, be quietly swept under the bureaucratic carpet once the rains stop?

Youths challaned for violating ban at Digambar Waterfall



Sehore: Authorities have imposed a strict ban on visiting Digambar Waterfall and police have taken challan action against five youths who violated the order in Sehore district. The action comes under the instructions of Collector Balaguru K., who has issued a blanket ban on visiting all risky locations in the district during the rainy season.

Budhni SDM Shri Dinesh Singh

Tomar informed that several accident-prone areas—including Digambar Waterfall, Amargarh Waterfall, Kaliadev Waterfall, Budhni Midghat, Kolar Dam, Jholiyapur Barrage, and the Narmada riverbanks—have been declared off-limits to prevent potential mishaps.

In view of past incidents and the heightened danger during the monsoon, the administration has

decided to enforce the restrictions strictly. Those found violating the ban are being penalised accordingly.

SDM Tomar urged all citizens to refrain from visiting waterfalls, dams, ponds, and similar hazardous sites. He emphasized that the safety of the public is the administration's top priority and cautioned people against putting their lives at risk for adventure or leisure.

You make obscene calls... You are digitally arrested!

Cyber fraudsters swindle 79-year-old out of Rs 45 lakh
Posing as a DCP, hold him captivated for 72 hours

Jabalpur: In a disturbing case of sophisticated cyber fraud, a 79-year-old Jabalpur resident was subjected to a terrifying "digital arrest" and coerced into transferring a staggering Rs 45 lakh to con artists. The victim, V.K. Kapoor of Cherrytal's Jagdamba Colony, has filed a complaint with the State Cyber Cell after enduring 72 hours of intense psychological torment.

lured by false accusations. The harrowing ordeal began on Tuesday, July 15, when Kapoor received a call from an individual claiming to be an intelligence agency officer. The caller falsely accused Kapoor of making obscene calls and engaging in money laundering, threatening him with an arrest warrant.

'DCP' impersonator enforces digital custody

The fraudsters then escalated the deception. Posing as a DCP, another imposter instructed



Kapoor to keep his phone camera on, claiming he was under surveillance. He was forbidden from disconnecting the call for 72 hours, effectively holding him hostage in his own home.

Rs 45 lakh transferred under duress

During this terrifying "digital arrest," the elderly man was relentlessly questioned and mentally harassed. Under immense pressure and fear, he trans-

ferred Rs 45 lakh from his bank account to the fraudsters' designated account on Friday. As soon as the money was received, the criminals vanished, switching off their numbers.

Investigation underway

Only after escaping their clutches did Kapoor inform his family, revealing the extent of the cyber theft. The State Cyber Cell has initiated an investigation, now tracing the bank accounts and phone numbers used by the sophisticated scammers. This incident serves as a stark warning about the evolving tactics of cybercriminals targeting vulnerable individuals.

Harda Observes Shutdown to Protest Police Lathi Charge

Silent Nyay Yatra taken out

Harda: A complete shutdown was observed in Harda on Saturday in protest against the police lathi charge on Karni Sena members that took place on July 13. Members of the Rajput community staged a silent 'Nyay Yatra' (Justice March), refraining from slogans but expressing strong dissent against the police action.

The shutdown was widely supported by local traders following a call from the Rajput Parishad. Most shops and commercial establishments in the town remained closed throughout the day. On Friday, community representatives had visited market areas, urging business owners to support the bandh.

Security personnel were deployed across the town as a precaution to maintain law and order.

The protest stems from a police crackdown during a Karni Sena demonstration on July 12, when members demanded that a fraud accused be handed over to them. The police responded with a lathi charge and arrested four individuals. Tensions escalated on July 13 when fresh protests were met with another round of police force, and 60 people were detained in a temporary jail. A third round of lathi charge followed, further fueling outrage.

Community members allege that the police forcibly entered a hostel and used excessive force on innocent students. They are demanding the suspension of officers involved in the action.