

# Indore cop exposed in cricket betting scam

Crime Branch launches probe

Indore: A shocking case of betrayal has rocked the Indore police force as Deepak Raghuvanshi, a police officer posted at Bhanwarkuan police station, has been accused of running a cricket betting racket while in uniform. Raghuvanshi allegedly defrauded several individuals, including fellow officers, of lakhs of rupees to fuel his gambling addiction.

The matter came to light after a complainant revealed he had given Rs 20 lakh to Raghuvanshi for a business deal, only to later learn it was lost in cricket betting. When questioned, Raghuvanshi casually admitted, "I got a tip and invested it... Yes, I lost it." He further threatened those demanding repayment, boasting, "I'm in the police. I fear no officer or commissioner."

Information has also emerged that Deepak



took lakhs of rupees from more than five people and extorted money from them, even the TI and ASI of his own police station. This entire matter has shaken the police department. The Indore Crime Branch has launched an investigation, not only into Deepak's actions,

but also into which police officers are involved with the bookies. According to sources, the investigation is also investigating Deepak Raghuvanshi's connections with major bookies and how he obtained information about betting through them.

### May be part of a betting network

The Crime Branch's initial investigation is expected to yield significant revelations. It is believed that this is not Deepak's game alone, but may be part of a betting network within the police department. All eyes are now on Police Commissioner Santosh Kumar Singh, to whom a complaint has been lodged. It is believed that strict action and dismissal against Deepak Raghuvanshi is imminent.

This isn't just a case of corruption, but a blatant plunder of public trust under the guise of a uniform. If such police officers remain in the system, gambling, not the law, will prevail.

# Massive Fraud Racket Busted at Mahakal Temple, Ujjain

Impostor Priests Targeted Pilgrims



Committee. According to complaints, these employees, dressed in priestly attire, actively solicited naive devotees, enticing them into the temple complex.

### Scamming in the name of Astrology and Rituals

As informed by Pandit Gaurav Upadhyay, the fraudsters would lure pilgrims with promises of horoscope analysis and highly priced religious ceremonies. With a setup inside the temple vicinity, they easily defrauded devotees into spending hefty sums on bogus rituals. A formal complaint detailing all these activities has been lodged with the authorities.

### Fraud extended to Bhasmarti and Accommodation

Further investigation revealed that the company was not only conducting unauthorized rituals but also involved in large-scale fraud related to the sacred Bhasmarti (ash aarti) and deceiving travelers with false promises of booking rooms in the official temple dharmashala (rest house).

### Appeal for Caution: Trust only Authorized Priests

Following the bust, the Shri Ramghat Tirth Purohit Sabha, Avantikapuri, has issued an earnest appeal to all devotees to be wary of fraudulent online or local companies that promise quick, shortcut rituals. They urged pilgrims to engage only with the traditionally recognized, government-authorized local Purohitis for genuine religious ceremonies and to ignore touts, auto-rickshaw drivers, or lodge operators offering such services.

Ujjain: A major organized racket attempting to defraud devotees under the guise of religious rituals, darshan, and special pujas has been exposed at the Mahakaleswar Temple and Shipra River ghats. Employees of a private company, allegedly posing as authorized priests, were found misleading pilgrims for petty monetary gain. They were even promising refunds if the rituals were deemed unsatisfactory, further deceiving the unsuspecting visitors.

### Unauthorized Company misled Devotees

The extensive operation was dismantled by local Tirth Purohitis (pilgrimage priests). The company, operating under the name 'VR,' was found to be working without any authorization from the Shri Mahakaleswar Temple

# Mastermind of Rs 71 Crore Excise Scam Denied Bail

Bhopal: The district court in Indore has rejected the bail plea of liquor contractor Ansh Trivedi, the alleged mastermind of the sensational Rs 71 crore fake excise challan scam. The court, presided over by a Special PMLA Act judge, prioritized the arguments presented by the Enforcement Directorate (ED), denying any relief to the accused.

### ED Cites Trivedi as Mastermind

During the hearing, Trivedi's counsel argued that the accused was innocent, claiming there was no revenue loss to the government and citing the accused's current medical treatment in Udaipur for back pain and dengue as grounds for bail.



However, Special Public Prosecutor Chandan Aeron,

representing the ED, forcefully contended that Ansh Trivedi was the key conspirator who inflicted a loss of crores on the state exchequer. The ED's investigation has revealed a fraudulent scheme where contractors deposited nominal amounts via treasury challans, left the 'Rupees in Words' section blank, and later manipulated the figures to secure illicit liquor approvals.

### Court Upholds Concern for Evidence Tampering

The ED further argued that releasing the accused on bail could lead to the tampering of crucial evidence in the ongoing money laundering probe. After considering both arguments, the court dismissed the bail application.

# Woman sets herself and 5-month-old son on fire

Both die during treatment

Indore: In a heartbreaking incident in the Rau area of Indore, a 25-year-old woman named Suman set herself on fire while holding her 5-month-old son, Pratham, on Thursday evening. Both were rushed to Choithram Hospital, but tragically, the baby succumbed to his injuries that night, followed by Suman on Friday night.

The post-mortem examinations were conducted at the district hospital, and Suman's brother took charge of the last rites. According to the Rau police, Suman poured petrol on herself while holding her son, leading to the fatal incident.

Reports indicate that disputes between Suman and her husband, Kailash, a tailor, may have contributed to this tragedy. The couple, originally from Bhopal, married in 2022 and reportedly experienced frequent conflicts.

# Tensions Escalate in Singrauli Corporation



### No-Confidence Motion Looms

Singrauli: Political heat is rising in the Singrauli Municipal Corporation as Opposition corporators intensify efforts to bring a no-confidence motion against NNI President Devesh Pandey. The coalition of Congress, BSP, and AAP corporators, though numbering 22 (short of a majority), is actively lobbying to unseat Pandey. The move comes amid growing public discussion of strained relations and pressure politics between the NNI President and the incumbent AAP Mayor, Rani Agarwal.

Local speculation suggests the push to remove Pandey is a deflection tactic. Mayor Agarwal, who made 25 promises in her election manifesto, has faced criticism for failing to deliver on any key commitments in the past three years. The controversy was further fueled after Singrauli MLA Ramni was Shah openly challenged the Mayor to execute the no-confidence motion, significantly boosting the confidence of BJP corporators. On Saturday, Congress corporators met with the newly appointed Collector, Gaurav Banal, further fueling political rumors and signaling that the fight for control of the corporation is far from over.

# Betwa River Front to get a green makeover

Collector selects land for river front and Nagar Van projects

Vidisha: In a step toward enhancing the city's natural charm and tourism appeal, Collector Anshul Gupta visited the banks of the Betwa River to select land for the upcoming Betwa river front development and Nagar Van projects. He was accompanied by Chief Municipal Officer Durgesh Singh and other key officials.

Collector Gupta emphasized that the river front development will give Vidisha a fresh identity while creating a scenic and accessible destination for residents and tourists alike. He stressed that preserving the environment and natural beauty should remain central to the design. As part of the plan, land was also earmarked for the Nagar Van Project, which will include green zones, yoga areas, and open-air theaters for public use. He directed officials to prepare a detailed project report (DPR) immediately and submit it to the government to expedite the commencement of the projects.

# Eight Bangladeshi Infiltrators Arrested Near Gwalior Air Force Station

Gwalior: In a major security breach, Haryana Police have arrested eight Bangladeshi nationals, including women and a child, for illegally residing near the Indian Air Force (IAF) Station in Maharajpura for over 12 years. The arrests followed an input received after the detention of their relatives in Panipat, Haryana.

### Decades of Security Blind Spot

The family, originally from Bangladesh's Jessore district, admitted to illegally crossing the India-Bangladesh border near Kolkata about 12 years ago with the help of an agent for a mere Rs 4,000. They were living in the highly sensitive area of Maharajpura, surviving through odd jobs without any valid Indian citizenship proof or visa—a fact that has raised serious questions about the failure of local and state security agencies to detect their presence for over a



### Sensitive Location Fuels Espionage Fears

The proximity of the illegal settlement to the vital Gwalior IAF Air Force Station has drastically amplified security concerns. Intelligence agencies have initiated a thorough investigation, scrutinizing suspicious numbers recovered from the family's mobile phones. Authorities fear the family may be part of a larger international infiltration or espionage network, and surveillance has been intensified across the Maharajpura region to prevent further threats.

# Crackdown on illegal clinic in Rajgarh

Rajgarh: District Collector Dr. Girish Kumar Mishra has ordered strict action against individuals providing illegal medical treatment. Acting on this directive, Chief Medical and District Health Officer Dr. Shobha Patel formed dedicated teams in each block, instructing them to shut down unregistered clinics and take action against those operating without valid medical qualifications, which endangers patients' lives. Responding to repeated complaints, Chief



Block Medical Officer (CBMO) Dr. D.R. Pachisia led a raid in the village of Jetpurakhurd, Khilchipur tehsil, targeting a Bengali quack allegedly practicing

used syringes, injections, antibiotics, various medicines, and pediatric syrups. The raid was conducted by a joint team comprising Block Medical Officer, Tehsildar Shri Rampratap Singh Thakur, Dr. Kamal Dangi, and Pharmacist Dr. Ranu Jha. The clinic was sealed on the spot, and the doctor was served a notice to present valid documents within three days. CBMO Dr. Pachisia confirmed that failure to comply would lead to strict legal action.

# Digital arrest scam targets retired railway officer

Gwalior: The city has witnessed a disturbing case of digital arrest fraud. The victim was 64-year-old Sudhakar Yadav, a retired Chief TNC from the Gwalior Railway Department. Recently, Yadav received a WhatsApp video call from an unknown number. The caller, dressed in a CBI uniform and posing as an IPS officer, accused him of involvement in a money laundering case.

According to Yadav, a resident of DB City Block-C, Flat No. 6, near the EOW office, the caller threatened to disconnect his phone number within two hours. When questioned, the fraudster claimed that a person named Sandeep Kumar had opened a bank account using Yadav's identity and was operating it for illegal transactions.

# Section 163 Imposed Over Ambedkar Statue Row

High Tensions in Gwalior



### Controversy erupts again over installation of Ambedkar statue in Gwalior

Gwalior: The city is facing renewed tensions after a faction of lawyers and the Parshuram Sena called for a major demonstration on October 15th over the installation of a Dr. B.R. Ambedkar statue within the High Court complex premises. In response, the District Administration has imposed Section 163 (which replaces the previous Section 144) to prohibit unauthorized protests, rallies, or processions, aiming to preempt any potential unrest. The dispute, ongoing for a year, pits one group of lawyers, along with organizations like the Azad Samaj and Bhim Army, demanding the statue's installation, against another faction that opposes it. The current surge in tension follows an inflammatory social media post by former Bar Association President Anil Mishra, which led to

FIRs being lodged against him in Gwalior and Thane, Mumbai. Bar Association President Pawan Pathak, who is seeking action against those making provocative posts, has thrown his weight behind the October 15th mass movement, a stance supported by the Parshuram Sena. In preparation for the potential unrest, the administration held a peace meeting with traders and prominent citizens, appealing for calm during the festive season. Collector Ruchika Chauhan and the Superintendent of Police conducted a mock drill and promised strict action against any elements attempting to cause disorder. However, the leaders of the planned October 15th protest, including Mr. Pathak and Mr. Mishra, failed to attend the peace meeting.

# Governor Mangubhai Patel seeks blessings at Maihar's Sharda Temple

Satna/Maihar: Madhya Pradesh Governor Mangubhai Patel undertook a spiritual visit to Maihar district on Saturday, offering prayers at the revered Maa Sharda Devi Temple. The Governor performed puja and sought blessings for the happiness and prosperity of the people of the state. He was accompanied by a host of digni-



ties, including Maihar District In-charge Minister Smt. Radha Singh and Minister of State for Urban Development and Housing Smt. Pratima Bagri. Other officials present were MLA Mai-

# Maharashtra Couple Drowns in Narmada River

Tragedy at Omkareshwar

Omkareshwar: A joyous pilgrimage from Maharashtra turned into tragedy in Omkareshwar when a couple



drowned while bathing in the Narmada River. The incident occurred as the family, including their friend, attempted to take a customary dip before visiting the sacred Omkareshwar Jyotirlinga temple. The victim, identified as Poonam Vijay Chauhan, was swept away by the river's swift current. Her husband, who was also caught in the strong water flow, was rescued thanks to the swift ac-

tions of local boatmen. Local Boatmen Act as Saviours

The rescue operation was immediately launched by quick-acting local boatmen, including Jayram Bhanwariya, Durgesh Kewat, Durgesh Suryavanshi, Sonu Verma, and Raj Chauhan. They managed to pull the struggling husband from the water and rushed him from the Naveen Ghat to the government hospital, where he is now reported to be out of danger. Police have recovered Poonam Chauhan's body and sent it for a post-mortem examination. Rising Drowning Incidents Spark Concern