Gangstabs postman to death, injures his friend

BENGALURU: A 22-year-old postman was killed while his friend sustained injuries when a group of four attacked them near Saraswathipuram in Nandini Layout on Saturday night.

Pradeep Kumar, a resident of Saraswathipuram, was working as a postman on contract basis, said the police. Around 7.30 pm, Kumar and his friend Venkatesh, a history-sheeter at the Mahalakshmi Layout police station, went to Saraswathipuram to watch oxen and cows jumping over fire, at Sankranthi festival celebrations.

As the duo were watching the cows jumping over the fire, four men came there in a car and stabbed them. Kumar and Venkatesh sustained injuries. As the crowd gathered, the assailants fled the spot. The public alerted the police, who shifted the duo to a nearby private hospital. Kumar succumbed to his injuries on Sunday morning.

Venkatesh, whose condition is stable, told the police that some of his friends had murdered a certain Madhu in Someshwaranagar recently. In retaliation, Madhu's friends had attacked Venkatesh and, Kumar who was with him, the police said. The Nandini Layout police have registered a case and are on the lookout for the assailants.

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Straight from toppers: success tips for entrance exams

BENGALURU: All India toppers of entrance tests such as IIT JEE, NEET and AIIMS 2016 came under one platform on Sunday and shared their experiences and exam strategies with students from Bengaluru.

Students of classes 6 to II PUC from Allen Career Institute, which organised 'Toppers' Talk-2017', listened with attention as nine toppers from various states gave suggestions on the exams. The tips ranged from timely and periodic revision to last-minute preparation techniques, and time management to perseverance.

Aman Bansal, who topped IIT JEE Advanced 2016, emphasised regular revision and said it would help in the long run. Bhavesh Dhingra, who bagged the second rank in IIT JEE Advanced 2016, said effective time management played a crucial role in his success.

The toppers said following teachers and mentors was important to achieving the level of preparation needed.

The programme was attended by 3,000-odd students. The organisers said the event was aimed at giving students the right guidance. Ashish Arora, Physics and Academic Head, Allen Career Institute, Jaipur, who mentored all nine toppers of 2016, said, "Persistence, Perseverance and Practice are the 3Ps which are extremely important for students to realise his dream in science.'

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Meghana Choukkar

BENGALURU: Residents of

Defence Colony, Indirana-

gar, fear that land sharks

the area. Schools in the neigh-

bourhood use the field for

sports meets as well. However,

since November 2016, un-

known persons have fenced off

a portion of the playground

claiming that the land belongs

claim on the land. Since No-

vember, several boards have

come up with different

names," said Colonel Raj Man-

nar, president of the Defence

Colony Cooperative Housing

Society Ltd (DCCHSL). "Some

goons are staying in a shed on

the land and preventing people

from entering the property,"

Members of Defence Colony

Col Mannar added.

"It is unclear who is staking

to them.

Amit 'spoiled' my blissful married life, Rajesh tells cops

BENGALURU: The Soladevanahalli police have taken realtor Rajesh Gowda into four-day custody over the sensational murder of a lawyer from Nelamangala.

The advocate, Amit Keshavamurthy, was found with Rajesh's wife in a car near Hesaraghatta in northern Bengaluru at the time of the incident on Friday.

Rajesh and his father Gopalakrishna were arrested after they shot Amit dead. Rajesh suspected his wife Shruthi. a panchayat development officer (PDO), of having an affair with Amit.

A senior police officer said, 'Initially, it was not certain as to who opened the fire as both Rajesh and his father claimed

'Shruthi was one of the richest PDOs'

A PDO, who did not want to be named, said, "Shruthi was one of the richest PDOs in the state. Every PDO discloses assets and it was found that she had properties worth crores of rupees in her name. Her father owned 50 acres of land near Ramohalli and other prime properties in various parts of the city and other places. She had a share in all properties owned by her parents and grandparents.

"She was working as a PDO at T Beguru near Nelamangala. For the past three years, she undertook several development works. A year ago, Shruthi had differences with the new Gram Panchayat members. She had sought for transfer and went on leave for two months. When she returned in July, she was sent on deputation to Railway Gollahalli. She was very passionate about serving people and was planning to write civil service exams," he said.

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responsibility. But during in- to judicial custody. The revestigation, Rajesh confessed volver and documents pertaining to it have been sent for exbeen remanded in four-day amination to ascertain if it was police custody, while a licensed revolver. Rajesh's Gopalakrishna has been sent car driver was also questioned

and vital information has been gathered."

"During interrogation, Rajesh said he and Shruthi were leading a happy life till she met Amit in connection with official work. We realised she spent a lot of time with Amit. The matter was taken up with Shruthi's parents and they had warned her. Despite that she used to meet Amit clandestinely," the officer said.

"Rajesh used to get information about their frequent meetings. So he decided to fit GPS in the engine of her car. On Friday too, she told Rajesh she was going to Nelamangala for a meeting. But when he checked the GPS, it showed the location as Hesaraghatta,' sources said.

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Drunk biker dies in crash

BENGALURU: A 46-year-old back home around 4.15 pm, labourer was killed in a collision between two two-wheelers on Varthur Main Road on Saturday evening.

The deceased identified as Kamal Burman was a resident of Varthur and a native of West Bengal. Burman was riding

when the incident took place.

Police said Burman was drunk and hit the bike coming in the opposite direction in a bid to overtake a car.

The other biker suffered minor injuries.

a nearby private hospital but he was declared brought dead. Doctors confirmed that Burman had consumed alcohol beyond the permissible limit, added the police.

A case has been registered at HSR Layout police station. Passersby shifted Burman to DH News Service



Ready to take off



Participants at the kite festival organised by Rotary Bangalore Lakeside at HSR Layout on Sunday. DH PHOTO

Three women arrested for shoplifting at jewellery store

BENGALURU: Three women were handed over to the Basavanagudi police after the alert employees of a jewellery showroom nabbed them while they were trying to make away with gold ornaments. The women had stolen gold jewellery from the same showroom in November 2016.

The police said that the arrested are Kala (45), Latha (40) and Rathna (40), all residents of Kuppam. On Sunday afternoon, they went to Sri Sai Gold Palace in Basavanagudi, posing as customers.

One of the staff members at the showroom recognised them as they had previously made away with gold earrings. He alerted the manager and they examined the old CCTV footage which showed the slip the original gold ornament DH News Service

were the same women who had they would have brought along. security guard and other personnel who nabbed the trio and locked them up in a room. They questioned the women, who confessed to have committed the crime, added the police.

"The showroom personnel alerted the Basavanagudi police and handed over the trio. During the interrogation, it was found that the women would visit the gold showroom and examine only earrings, finger rings and pendants. They would return after a week with duplicate ornaments. They would ask the staff to show them the ornaments and would manage to divert their attention. One of the women would

women stealing the gold valu- into the bag and replace it with ables. They concluded that they the duplicate ornament, which come back. They alerted the After a few minutes, they would tell the staff that they would get back to them and leave the place," said a senior police officer.

As soon as the women committed the crime, they would leave for Kuppam by train and sell the ornaments on the same day, said the police.

On November 31, 2016, they had made away with gold orna $ments\,weighing\,20\,grams\,from$ Sri Sai Gold Palace in a similar fashion and their act had been recorded on the CCTV camera. A complaint had been registered at the time. The Basavanagudi police are investigating if the women are also involved in similar such crimes.

National Forum is the owner

of the land. "The land is

claimed by a man named Raja.

He says that the property be-

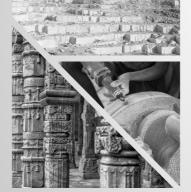
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laipur Exhibition & Convention Centre (JECC), Sitapura, Jaipur, Rajasthan



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

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Overseas pavilions from Turkey, Italy, China & Iran

Individual participation from Greece, Croatia, Spain, Tunisia & Portugal

State Level participation from Jharkhand, Andhra Pradesh & Odisha

Individual participation from more than 14 states

Concurrent event: "Jaipur Architecture Festival"

Exclusive display of Handicrafts in Shilpgram

 Eye catching display of Stone Machinery & Heavy Earthmoving equipments

DISPLAY PROFILE

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Playground encroached upon, say residents

Land verification

"We need to verify the land be sorted within 10 days. records with the BBMP rev-

the local police, BBMP assis- enue department and com- at the ground says that DSS pare it with BDA records. If it is confirmed that the property belongs to BBMP, we will clear the land immediately. This will not be an issue as no constructernal transfers and it would

At present, a board erected



Residents' Association (DEC-A board at the ground states that DSS National Forum is the ORA) and DCCHSL wrote to owner of a part of Defence Colony Park 3, Indirangar. DH РНОТО

