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Karate teacher held for sexually assaulting 12-year-old girl in Mumbai

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THE MUMBAI police arrested a 22-year-old karate teacher on Monday night for allegedly sexually assaulting a 12-year-old girl at a gymnasium school in Central Mumbai.

According to police, the accused had been exploiting the minor since January this year by threatening to sexually assault her mother if she disclosed the abuse to anyone.

Officers arrested the teacher on a complaint by the girl's mother who works in a private company.

As per the police complaint, the accused molested the girl and sexually exploited her on multiple occasions when there were no other students around.

"The accused was produced in the court on Tuesday and was sent to police custody for four days," said a police officer supervising the investigation.

"The accused also threatened the girl saying that if she told anyone about it, he would tell them that he did all these things at her instruction," said a police source.

The incident came to the fore when recently, the girl's mother observed that she was reluctant to go for karate classes. On inquiring, the girl told her mother about the ordeal. The girl's parents subsequently approached the police.

While the accused was immediately arrested, the minor girl underwent medical examination at Sion Hospital.

Police are checking if the accused targeted any others or if the place where the abuse occurred is under CCTV surveillance.

Police officers are also speaking to other students in the karate class and making enquiries with the other sports teachers at the school.

The girls' statement will soon be recorded before a magistrate under provisions of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (Pocso) Act.

The accused has been booked under Sections 64 (rape), 65(1) (rape of a woman under the age of 16 years), and 351(3) (criminal intimidation by threatening to cause grievous hurt or offence punishable with a life sentence) of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) and Sections 4, 8, and 12 of Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act.

LOUDSPEAKER USE AT RELIGIOUS PLACES

'Police made earnest efforts': HC disposes of contempt petition against state govt

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THE BOMBAY High Court on Tuesday noted that Maharashtra police authorities have made earnest efforts to comply with HC directives in 2016 against "illegal" installation of loudspeakers at religious places and there was no need to initiate contempt action.

A bench of Chief Justice Alok Aradhe and Justice Sandeep V Marne was hearing a contempt plea by one Santosh Pachlag, alleging non-compliance of 2016 directives to enforce the Noise Pollution Rules, 2000.

The HC disposed of contempt plea after perusing that there was no wilful disobedience of the same as the police authorities had initiated action against errants.

The HC perused the March 2025 affidavit filed by Director General of Police Rashmi Shukla, which stated that of the 2,940 illegal loudspeakers mentioned by the petitioner, the authorities have removed 343 loudspeakers, 831 were granted permission after due examination while notices under Section 149 of Criminal

Dubey's remarks improper, nobody can deny contribution of Marathi people: CM

ALOK DESHPANDE
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RESPONDING TO BJP MP Nishikant Dubey's comments against MNS chief Raj Thackeray and Sena UBT president Uddhav Thackeray, Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis Tuesday said that the remarks were not aimed at all Marathi people but it was improper to say such things.

"Though he hasn't said it to all Marathi people, it is improper to say such things as it leads to different interpretations," the CM told mediapersons outside the Vidhan Bhavan.

In the wake of the language row in Maharashtra, Jharkhand MP Dubey had said that if the Thackerays step out of Maharashtra, "they will be thrashed repeatedly".

"You people (Marathis) are surviving on our money. What kind of industries do you have? If you are brave enough to beat Hindi speakers, then you should also beat those who speak Urdu, Tamil, and Telugu," he had said.

Reacting to the comment, Fadnavis said that Marathis have always stood against foreign invaders and have kept the Indian culture alive by fighting against them.

Praising the battle history of Maratha warriors, the chief min-



Police detained several demonstrators, led by MNS leader Avinash Jadhav, as they attempted to conduct a morchha without official permission. Akash Patil

ister said, "Nobody can deny the contribution of Marathi people and nobody should even try to do it."

Speaking about police denying permission for the MNS march in Mumbai's Mira Road on Tuesday morning, Fadnavis said that it was denied as the party leaders insisted on a particular route for the protest, which could have led to law and order issues.

Several MNS workers were

detained in this connection since last night.

The MNS had called the protest to counter a stir organised by traders after a shop owner was recently thrashed by party workers for refusing to speak in Marathi.

"I inquired with the police as to why permission was denied for the MNS protest march. I was told that they were insistent on a route which would lead to conflict. The police also said that

they had inputs about some people who wanted to indulge in some other activities," Fadnavis said, adding that the police repeatedly requested them to change the route, but they did not accept it. So the permission was denied.

Fadnavis added that permission can be given to anyone to hold protest marches, but if someone wants to hold it on their terms and disturb law and order, then it is not good.

CJI: Three arms of democracy fulfilled responsibilities as desired by Ambedkar

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THE THREE arms of the Indian democracy—the executive, legislature and judiciary—have been able to fulfil their responsibilities at the completion of 75 years of the Constitution as desired by BR Ambedkar, Chief Justice of India BR Gavai said Tuesday.

Speaking on Indian Constitution at the Central Hall of the Maharashtra Legislature after he was felicitated for becoming the 52nd Chief Justice of India, Justice Gavai said, "When the country is heading for the centenary of the Constitution, the three arms have also been successful in ensuring social and economic justice and equality. It also ensured social-economic and social-political democracy."

"I feel lucky to be the Chief Justice when the Indian Constitution has completed 75 years in April this year and heading for its centenary. I will be able to contribute my share in this journey... During my career I have always tried to strike a balance



Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis and Deputy CM Eknath Shinde receive Chief Justice of India Bhushan Gavai at Vidhan Bhavan in Mumbai on Tuesday. Ganesh Shirsekar

between the Directive Principles and Fundamental Rights described in the Indian Constitution," he said.

Recalling that his father late RS Gavai, who was the chairperson of legislative council and former governor of Bihar, Kerala and Tripura, the CJI said that he treat the felicitation by the Maharashtra Legislature as blessings of 12.87 crore people of the state.

Gavai said that the Constitution is a weapon for bloodless revolution in the country and it has been witnessed during the several judgements given by the Supreme Court while upholding or dismissing the various enactments made by the states.

Adding that Ambedkar opposed the Federal and state Constitution on the lines of United States of America (USA) and made a strong pitch for one

Constitution, which has helped the country remain united, the CJI said, "Babasaheb Ambedkar was criticised by some for the Constitution being too centralised and by some it provides too much of federalism. Babasaheb had replied to that criticism by saying the Constitution is not centric nor federal. We are giving the country a Constitution suitable for all challenges, and I can assure you that it will keep the country united in times of war and peace."

Referring to Babasaheb Ambedkar's argument that the Constitution cannot be static but should be organic and evolving to suit the needs of future generations, Gavai said that even for an amendment, it requires two-third majority and approval from 50 per cent of the state legislatures. "Due to the Constitution, in India two women became President of India, members of the Scheduled Caste assumed the post of President of India and the Vice-President of India. In several states, women are assuming the posts of the chief secretary and the director general of police," he said.

E-bike taxis now legal, govt notifies final rules

App-based aggregators can start operations only if they meet strict licensing and safety conditions

KARTIKA JAMDAR & NARESH S
MUMBAI, JULY 8

BIKE TAXIS are now officially legal in Maharashtra. On July 4, the state government notified the Maharashtra Bike-Taxi Rules, 2025, clearing the way for app-based aggregators to begin operations—provided they meet strict licensing, safety, and operational conditions.

"App-based aggregators will be permitted to start operations once they apply for licences under the notified norms," confirmed a Joint Commissioner of the Transport Authority. Services such as Rapido and Uber can now run electric bike taxis after registration, as per the new rules.

Under the framework issued by the Home Department, only electric two-wheelers are allowed. Petrol vehicles are not permitted. Aggregators must operate a minimum fleet of 50 electric bikes registered in Maharashtra and pay ₹1 lakh as a licensing fee and ₹25 lakh as a security deposit. Licenses will be valid for five years.

Each bike taxi must be painted yellow with 'bike taxi' written in reflective lettering. Riders must provide yellow helmets to passengers, which must be sanitised after every trip.

Only drivers aged between 20 and 50 years with a valid commercial licence and PSV badge can be employed. They must undergo police verification, periodic health and fitness checks, and demonstrate knowledge of city routes. Anyone convicted in the past seven years of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs is barred from working as a driver.

To enhance commuter safety—particularly for women—aggregators must ensure their apps include features such as GPS tracking, female driver preference, panic buttons, and a 24/7 control room. Street hailing of bike taxis is prohibited; rides must be booked through the app.

Working hours for drivers are capped at eight hours a day, and the maximum trip distance is restricted to 15km. Aggregators are required to conduct safety training for drivers every three months.

The rules empower local bodies—including RTOs—to determine city-specific fares, fleet sizes, routes, live tracking systems, and emergency response mechanisms. The government has also directed that bike taxis be integrated into existing local public transport networks where possible.

In a key addition to the draft rules published on May 22, the

final notification mandates compliance with the Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023. Aggregators must ensure user data collected via the app is handled lawfully and securely.

The state aims to prioritise rollout in major cities first, gradually extending services to all urban areas with a population above one lakh. The move is expected to boost last-mile connectivity, especially in cities with limited public transport infrastructure, while giving a push to electric mobility.

In April, the state government cleared a policy, under which bike taxis could operate in Maharashtra. However, it had not codified the norms under which these services could operate. Despite the absence of these norms, major app-based vehicle aggregators had started these services.

The services were discontinued from Thursday last week after state transport minister Pratap Sarnaik caught a bike taxi plying illegally near the Mantralaya junction in Mumbai. "I myself used this illegal service despite the government not giving it the nod. Such companies operating without state sanction will be taken strictly to task," Sarnaik had said last week stating that the bike taxi services are illegal.

CRUISE DRUG BUST BRIBERY CASE

CBI to HC: Will conclude probe against Wankhede in 3 months

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THE CBI on Tuesday informed the Bombay High Court that it will complete the probe in the case against former Narcotics Control Bureau zonal director Sameer Wankhede in the cruise drug bust bribery case.

The CBI had an FIR registered against Wankhede and four others for allegedly demanding a bribe of Rs 25 crore from those arrested in connection with the 2021 Cordelia drug bust case, including actor Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan Khan.

The CBI had filed the FIR based on the report of a special enquiry team (SET), which was formed to probe the alleged pro-

cedural lapses by NCB officials, including Wankhede.

The central agency made a statement before the bench of Justices Ajay S Gadkari and Rajesh S Patil in response to the plea by Wankhede challenging CBI FIR in the case.

Wankhede's lawyer contended that the probe had been stalled for over two years and it was affecting his client's career, and his promotion was on hold.

The lawyer said that Wankhede can approach the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) seeking relief if the court admits the plea.

The bench questioned CBI as to when it will complete the investigation, which was delayed. Advocate Kuldeep Patil, ap-

pearing for CBI, submitted that the probe will be concluded within three months.

The court then extended earlier interim protection from arrest granted to Wankhede till further orders.

The HC, however, clarified that CBI may proceed with the filing of chargesheet after obtaining the court's approval for the same.

Wankhede had claimed that the said SET had sought to give a clean chit to Aryan Khan by "suppressing material information and evidence in violation of legal provisions," and FIR registered on SET's report was motivated and it should be quashed and set aside.

The HC will hear the plea in due course.

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- b) Applications (neat legible scanned copies) sent by Email are to be addressed to **DIRECTORNCSMUMBAI@GMAIL.COM** with the subject line **"APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF HM AT NCS MUMBAI"**

- c) Last Date for Receipt of duly filled Applications is **15 AUGUST 2025 (Friday)**

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APPENDIX -IV-A - E-AUCTION-PUBLIC SALE NOTICE of IMMOVABLE PROPERTY/IES										
E-AUCTION-SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISIONS TO RULE 8(6) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002										
B.O. NASHIK : 407 & 408, 4th FLOOR, PADMAVISHWALANDMARK, NEARTANISHOWROAD, ABOVEAXISBANK, RACCACOLONY SHARANPURROAD, NASHIK422002.										
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the borrower(s) & guarantor(s) indicated in Column no-A that the below described immovable property (ies) described in Column no-D mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/Physical Possession of which has been taken (as described in Column no-C) by the authorized Officer of M/s PNB Housing Finance Limited/Secured Creditor, will be sold on "AS IS WHERE IS, AS IS WHAT IS AND WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS" as per the details mentioned below. Notice is hereby given to the borrower(s)/mortgagor(s)/Legal Heirs, Legal Representative, (whether Known or Unknown), executor(s), administrator(s), successor(s), assignee(s) of the respective borrowers/mortgagor(s) (since deceased) as the case may be indicated in Column no-A under Rule-8(6) & 9 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 amended as on date. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in M/s PNB Housing Finance Limited/secured creditor's website i.e. www.pnbhousing.com .										
Loan No. Name of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Guarantor/Legal Heirs(A)	Demand & Amount/Date (B)	Nature of possession (C)	Description of the Properties mortgaged (D)	Reserve Price (RP) (E)	EMD (10% of RP) (F)	Last Date of Submission of Bid (G)	Bid Incremental Rate (H)	Inspection Date & Time (I)	Date of Auction & Time (J)	Known Encumbrances Court Case (If any) (K)
HOU/NSK/1221/933870 Vinod Yashwant Raut / Monika Vinod Raut B.O.: NASHIK	RS. 15728 30.95 & 07.11.2023	Physical Possession	Flat/Unit No 7, Ground+1st Flr. Plot No 22 To 26, S/o 505/2, Laxmi Park, Sakhar Karkhana Road, At Post Palse Senior, Next To Bangali Baba Stop Near Canal, Nashik, Maharashtra-422103, India.	RS. 1521000	RS. 152,100	12-08-25	RS. 10,000	04-08-2025 12:00pm to 04:00pm	13-08-2025 2PM to 03:00PM	NOT KNOWN
*Together with the further interest @18% p.a. as applicable, incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. incurred upto the date of payment and/or realization thereof. ** To the best knowledge and information of the authorized Officer of PNB Housing Finance Limited, there are no other encumbrances/claims in respect of above mentioned immovable/secured assets except what is disclosed in the Column No.-K. Further such encumbrances to be catered/paid by the successful purchaser/bidder at his/her end. The prospective purchaser(s)/bidders are requested to independently ascertain the veracity of the mentioned encumbrances. (1) As on date, there is no order restraining and/or court injunction PNBHFL/authorized Officer of PNBHFL from selling, alienating and/or disposing of the above immovable properties/secured assets and status is mentioned in column no-K. (2) The prospective purchaser/bidder and interested parties may independently take the inspection of the pleading in the proceedings/orders passed etc. if any, stated in column no-K, including but not limited to the title of the documents of the title pertaining thereto available with the PNBHFL, and satisfy themselves in all respects prior to submitting tender/bid application form or making Offer(s). The bidder(s) has to sign the terms and conditions of this auction along with the Bid Form. (3) Please note that in terms of Rule 9(3) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the bidder(s) the purchaser is legally bound to deposit 25% of the amount of sale price, (inclusive of earnest money) on the same day or not later than next working day. The sale may be confirmed in favour of (bidder/s) only after receipt of 25% of the sale price by the secured creditor in accordance with Rule 9(2) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The remaining 75% of the sale consideration amount has to be deposited by the purchaser within 15 days from the date of acknowledgement of sale confirmation letter and in default of such deposit, the authorized officer shall forfeit the part payment of sale consideration amount within 15 days from the date of expiry of mandatory period of 15 days mentioned in the sale confirmation letter and the property/secured asset shall be resold as per the provisions of Section 14(4) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The successful bidder/bidder shall be deemed to have accepted the terms and conditions of the sale and shall be bound to complete the sale process. The successful bidder/bidder shall be deemed to have accepted the terms and conditions of the sale and shall be bound to complete the sale process. The successful bidder/bidder shall be deemed to have accepted the terms and conditions of the sale and shall be bound to complete the sale process.										
The authorized Officer of PNB Housing Finance Limited is authorized to sell the above mentioned immovable properties/secured assets on behalf of the secured creditor. The successful bidder/bidder shall be deemed to have accepted the terms and conditions of the sale and shall be bound to complete the sale process. The successful bidder/bidder shall be deemed to have accepted the terms and conditions of the sale and shall be bound to complete the sale process. The successful bidder/bidder shall be deemed to have accepted the terms and conditions of the sale and shall be bound to complete the sale process.										
PLACE :- NASHIK DATE :- 09.07.2025										
SD/-AUTHORIZED OFFICER, PNB HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED										

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Regional Office : Latur					
Whereas, The Undersigned Being The Authorised Officer /Regional Manager, Maharashtra Gramin Bank, Regional Office - Latur (Branch: Ganjigolai Tq.&Dist. Latur) Under The Securitization And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 (act No.54 Of 2002) And In Exercise Of Powers Conferred Under Section 13 (12) Read With Rule 8 Of Security Interest (enforcement) Rules, 2002 Issued Demand Notice On Date Calling Upon The Concerned Borrower / Guarantor Fully Described To Repay The Amount Mentioned In The Notice With Further Interest, Incidental Expenses & Cost Within 60 Days From The Date Of Receipt Of The Said Notice. The Following Borrower / Guarantor Having Failed To Repay The Amount, Notice Is Hereby Given To The Under Noted Borrower / Guarantor And The Public In General That The Undersigned Has Taken Physical Possession Of The Property In Exercise Of Powers Conferred On Him Under Section 13 (4) Of The Said Act Read With The Rule No. 8 Of The Said Rules On Following Dates Described As Below. The Borrower In Particular And The Public In General Is Hereby Cautioned Not To Deal With The Movable / Immovable Assets / Property And Any Dealing With The Movable / Immovable Assets / Property Will Be Subject To The Charge Of Authorised Officer / Regional Manager, Maharashtra Gramin Bank, Regional Office-Latur (Branch: Ganjigolai Tq.&Dist. Latur) For The Amount Given & Further Interest, Incidental Expenses And Cost.					
Description of Movable / Immovable Property					
Name of the Borrower/Guarantor	Amount due In Rs.	Description Of Assets With Boundaries	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Physical Possession	Name of the Branch
Borrower : 1) Mr. Jahir Jamshed Malik At Shri Krishna Nagar, Latur Dist. Latur And the Guarantors, 2) Yousuf Jafar Shaikh Take Nagar, Latur 3) Goroba Dagdu Kambale Siddheshwar Ring Road, Latur Loan Account No. 80073929407	As On 11/11/2022 Rs.17,52,506/- Plus interest, Costs, Charges, Expenses w.e.f. 11/11/2022	Mortgage of commercial property M.C.H. No R-71757/46(odd) & B-5/1304(new), Plot No. 616 Shop No. E-44, C.T.S. No. 3199/76 admeasuring 315 sq. ft. together with structures constructed thereon situated being and lying at Scarp Market, Latur in the Name of Shri. Yousuf Jafar Shaikh bounded as - East: Plot No. 61 Shop No. C-40, West: Govt. Road, North: Asspigation Road, South: Plot No. 61 Shop No. D-43	11.11.2022	07.07.2025	Ganjigolai
Borrower : Shri. Yusuf Jafar Shaikh & Seema Abbu Chusaf At Veer Hanwantwadi, Latur Dist. Latur 413512 Loan Account No. 80071693358	As On 11/11/2022 Rs. 12,41,938/- Plus interest, Costs, Charges, Expenses w.e.f. 11/11/2022	Mortgage of Plot no bearing 07(south part) M.C.H. No R-7776/2 plot area 1200 Sq. ft. CTS No. 3274 Land Survey no 180 admeasuring 111.52 Sq.Mtr together with structures constructed thereon situated being and lying at situated at Moli Nagar, Latur in the Name of Shri. Yusuf Jafar Shaikh bounded as - East : 20 ft Road, West : Plot No. 06, North: Remaining portion of Plot No. 07, South: Plot No. 11,	11.11.2022	07.07.2025	Ganjigolai
Authorized Officer / Regional Manager Maharashtra Gramin Bank, Regional Office : Latur					
Date : 09.07.2025 Place : Latur					