

# 15 semi-automatic pistols, 150 live rounds seized; 4 held

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AN arms supplier linked to the Neeraj Bawana gang and three of his receivers were arrested in Delhi along with 15 semi-automatic pistols, 150 live rounds and eight additional magazines, police said on Sunday. Deputy Commissioner of Police (Crime Branch) Harsh Indora said this is one of the biggest recent seizures of firearms meant to be supplied to gangs in Delhi and NCR. The accused arms supplier has been identified

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as Mohammad Shajid (42), who was caught near Netaji Subhash Place District Centre. Acting on his disclosure, three receivers of illegal firearms -- Vishal Rana (28), Aniket (32) and Sourabh Dhingra (38) -- were arrested. Shajid was first apprehended on August 11 after a team of crime branch laid a trap at the parking area of Netaji Subhash Place. He was found seated in a

car carrying 10 pistols, 118 live rounds and eight extra magazines, the police said. A case was registered and further investigation was launched. During interrogation, Shajid disclosed that he had been sourcing firearms from Meerut and Mawana in Uttar Pradesh and supplying them to the Neeraj Bawana gang, Afsar gang and other criminal syndicates. "He admitted

that he had supplied over 100 firearms to criminals -- each purchased for Rs 35,000 to 40,000 and sold for Rs 50,000 to 60,000, generating huge profits," the DCP said. Following this disclosure, another team was constituted and on August 17, the team arrested Vishal Rana, a resident of Inderpuri in Delhi, and recovered one pistol and three live rounds from him, the police said.

Rana was previously involved in two cases of illegal firearms. On September 9, another accused, Aniket, a resident of Rajouri Garden, was nabbed with one semi-automatic pistol and two live rounds, they said. On September 13, the third receiver, Kirti Nagar resident Sourabh Dhingra, was arrested with three semi-automatic pistols and 27 live rounds, the police said, adding that Dhingra

had earlier been involved in three cases, including attempt to murder. The main accused, Shajid, is a repeat offender with a long history of involvement in arms trafficking and other serious crimes. He had earlier been arrested in 2012 in two separate robbery and dacoity cases in Delhi, they said. In 2022, he faced cases under the Arms Act and attempt to murder while in



2023, he was apprehended by the Special Cell with a large consignment of firearms but resumed the trade after release, they added. The backward link of the supply chain has been traced to Meerut and Mawana in Uttar Pradesh, the police said. "Efforts are being made to identify and apprehend those providing these illegal arms. The crackdown will continue to dismantle the syndicates fuelling organised crime in Delhi," DCP Indora said.

# Car falls off flyover, lands on railway tracks; driver survives

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A man on Sunday morning lost control of his car, which tumbled over from the Mukarba Chowk flyover and fell on the railway tracks near Haiderpur Metro Station below, in outernorth Delhi on Sunday, police said. The driver, Sachin Chaudhary (35), a resident of Ghaziabad, however, sustained only minor abrasions on his shoulder and face. Police received information about the incident at Samaypur Badli police station in the morning. A team was rushed to the spot and found a car lying overturned on the tracks



beneath the Ring Road, Deputy Commissioner of Police (Outernorth) Harehsvar Swami in a statement said. "Chaudhary told police that he was travelling from Peeragarhi to Ghaziabad when he lost control of the vehicle on the stretch of the

flyover crossing the railway lines," the officer said. The car hit the pavement, jumped over the railing, rolled down a grassy slope, and landed upside down on the tracks," the officer said. The vehicle was removed immediately to clear the railway track. The driver

is undergoing a medical examination, he said. Police said no train movement was affected as the track was cleared quickly and no other injuries were reported. Meanwhile, a blue motorcycle was also found at the spot. According to police, the two-wheeler had been lying there since Saturday but was unrelated to the car accident. The owner is being traced to ascertain whether the bike was stolen. "These are two separate and unrelated incidents. No mishap concerning the motorcycle has been reported," the officer clarified. Police said further investigation is underway.

# Man found dead in hotel room after party with friends

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A man died at a hotel in northeast Delhi after partying with his friends, police said on Sunday. The deceased's family suspects that he was drugged and killed during the party. However, police said the cause of his death is yet to be ascertained. Upon receiving information that a man had been found unconscious at the hotel on Saturday evening, a police team rushed to the spot and found Mohit Garg, a resident of Brahmपुरi, lying senseless in the room, a police officer said. He was rushed to JPC Hospital, where doctors declared him 'brought dead', he said, adding the body has been preserved at GTB Hospital for post-mortem. Garg's kin and friends, however, claimed



that it was they who rushed the victim to the hospital, and he had turned "totally blue" by then. Police said Garg had checked into the hotel earlier in the day and hosted a party in the room in the evening. After the gathering, he suddenly fell unconscious, a police official said. Meanwhile, Garg's family accused the police of not acting in a timely manner and raised slogans outside the JPC Hospital on Saturday night. The victim's father, Narender Kumar Garg, said, "I personally feel that my son was drugged and killed by those who were with him during the party." "We have asked the police to investigate the entire matter properly and arrest those responsible for his death. My son was healthy and did not have any problems. Police must investigate the matter properly," the mourning father said.



Gambling racket busted, 6 held  
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SIX men have been arrested for allegedly running an illegal cricket betting racket in Delhi's Mayur Vihar, an official said on Sunday. Acting on a PCR call, a police team raided a flat in Chilla village on the intervening night of September 12 and 13 and caught the accused red-handed while accepting bets on the England-South Africa match, he said. Those arrested were identified as Lal Babu Sahani (43), Jitender Sharma (26), Raju Shah (34), Dileep Sahani (40), Himanshu Ravi (24) and Mohit (27), he said. The accused had allegedly set up a betting den equipped with laptops, mobile phones, WiFi routers and other accessories to operate the racket, the police said.



# Man held for robbing jewellery worth Rs 45Lakh in Karol Bagh

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A 30-year-old man has been arrested for allegedly snatching a jewellery bag with ornaments worth Rs 45 lakh in northwest Delhi last month, police said on Sunday. The accused, identified as Akash, was nabbed by a team and recovered five gold sets, one diamond set belonging to the complainant, and a scooter used in the crime. On August 28, complainant Satish Kumar, a resident of Karnal in Haryana, reported that while he was travelling in his car from Karol Bagh to Karnal with his driver, two men on a motorcycle smashed the win-

dow of their car near Prem Bari Pul red light and fled with a bag containing jewellery. Based on his complaint, an FIR was registered, and further investigation was taken up. Police scanned CCTV footage and conducted multiple raids before apprehending Akash. During interrogation, he confessed to the crime and disclosed that he was looking for a buyer for the stolen ornaments. Police said Akash is a bad character of Inderpuri police station and has previously been involved in 16 criminal cases, including snatching, robbery, theft and Arms Act. Efforts are on to trace his associates.

# Police denies permission to Shiv Sena (UBT) for protest

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THE Delhi Police on Sunday denied Shiv Sena (UBT) permission to hold a protest at Jantar Mantar here against the India-Pakistan Asia Cup cricket match. Traditional rivals India and Pakistan will face off in Dubai on Sunday in what will be the first match between the two sides since the military conflict in May, when India launched strikes on terror infrastructure in Pakistan-controlled territories after 26 people were killed in a dastardly terror attack in Pahalgam on April 22. Several opposition parties have slammed the BJP-led central government, calling the match an insult to the victims of the Pahalgam terror attack and the Indian soldiers who sacrificed their lives on the borders. Shiv Sena (UBT) chief Uddhav Thackeray has announced holding 'Sindoor'



protests across Maharashtra. In Delhi, a senior police officer said the request for permission to hold the protest at Jantar Mantar was received on September 13, just a day before the proposed event. "As per existing guidelines, applications must be submitted at least 10 days before the date of the programme. Since this condition was not met, the request could not be granted," the officer added. Shiv Sena (UBT) leaders expressed their disappointment over the decision but reiterated their commitment to raising the issue peacefully. Mangat Ram Munde, the head of Shiv Sena (UBT) in Delhi, said, "We respect the law but will continue to voice our concerns through democratic means."

# ASI shunted to lines for 'misbehaving' with woman

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A police officer has been sent to the district lines for allegedly misbehaving with a woman during a raid in southeast Delhi, officials said on Sunday. According to police, a PCR call was received around 9.30 am on Saturday alleging sale and consumption of illicit liquor at a shop in the SLC area. Accordingly, a police team reached the spot and seized illicit liquor from the premises, an officer said. Nearly two hours later, another PCR call was received at the local police station from a woman linked to the same shop from where liquor was seized, alleging inappropriate behaviour by an ASI during the raid, the officer said. Soon, a small group of people assembled at the police station demanding strict action against the ASI. Senior officers, including the DCP (Southeast) and the ACP (Lajpat Nagar), arrived at the scene and pacified the crowd, assuring a fair and transparent inquiry into the matter. "Disciplinary action was taken promptly, and the ASI was sent to the district lines with immediate effect.



# Elderly man with history of impersonating as cop held

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A 64-year-old man with a history of cheating by posing as a Crime Branch officer has been arrested for allegedly snatching cash in southwest Delhi, police said on Sunday. The accused, identified as Vijay Verma, a resident of Shalimar Garden in Ghaziabad, was arrested after a PCR call was received on 11 September at the Sarojini Nagar police station. The caller reported that his father was threatened and robbed of Rs 500 by a man on a scooter. An FIR was registered based on the complaint, and further investigation

followed. The team checked CCTV footage, identified the scooter used in the crime, and tracked down the suspect. During questioning, Verma confessed to the crime, officials said. Police recovered the stolen amount and the scooter used in the offence. Police added that Verma is a habitual offender and has previously been involved in two criminal cases registered at the Kalkaji police station. His modus operandi in the past included cheating people by posing as a Crime Branch officer. Further investigation into the case is underway, they said. BM HIG

# Exhibition showcases unity of masculine, feminine energies

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MULTI-disciplinary artist and designer Mahesh Sharma's ongoing exhibition, "NAR + NARI", delves into the timeless harmony between masculine and feminine energies, portraying the modern man and woman in unity rather than conflict. Currently underway at Bikaner House's Living Traditions Centre, the five-day

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exhibition -- developed by Sharma over the past year -- presents his interpretation of symbolic balance, fertility, and the sustaining energies of the cosmic order. "The concept began last year when I created a single painting inspired by 'Nar and Nari', woven together with the five elements of life. The piece received a lot of



appreciation -- people connected with the theme and liked the color story -- so I felt encouraged to take the idea further. "That initial spark evolved

into a full exhibition, which is divided into four distinct sections," Sharma explained. While the first section, titled 'Shiv Shakti', which draws inspiration from the earth and the concept of 'Nareshwar', features seven artworks where the masculine and feminine coexist in harmony, the second section explores the idea of the 'Trimurti' -- Brahma, Vishnu, and Mahesh -- but reimagined through a modern lens, blending tradition with contemporary aesthetics. Reflecting on themes of identity, duality, and harmony, the showcase presents a rich array of works -- ranging from paintings and sculptures to installations and aesthetic interventions. "The fourth section is inspired by today's younger generation and takes on a more three-dimensional, interactive form. For this audience, creativity often goes beyond traditional tools --

vision and inspiration matter more than just the paintbrush. With that in mind, I wanted to create something that resonates with them: bold, pop-art-inspired, and highly functional. "This section includes modular pieces made with movable blocks, allowing viewers to change the composition daily. It is meant to engage and inspire across generations," Sharma added. The exhibition will come to a close on September 17.

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