

Can't disclose details of PM's foreign visits on IAF plane: HC

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THE Delhi High Court has set aside a Central Information Commission (CIC) order directing disclosure of information under RTI related to foreign visits of the prime minister on Indian Air Force aircraft, considering the potential implications for national security and the life and physical safety of the prime minister. The High Court said no sufficient larger public interest has been demonstrated by the RTI applicant to warrant disclosure

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of these particulars. "The mere fact that public funds have been expended on the foreign visits of the prime minister does not, by itself, justify disclosure of information which may compromise the security arrangements put in place for such visits," Justice

Amit Mahajan said in an order passed on October 15. "In the absence of any demonstrated larger public interest that outweighs these concerns, disclosure of the information sought cannot be directed," the order said. The High Court further opined that the CIC erred in



directing disclosure of the Special Foreign Returns (SFR) - II relating to the prime minister's foreign visits after redaction of the names and identifying particulars of security personnel. "The petitioner (Directorate of Personal Services, Air Headquarters, India Air Force) was justified in invoking the exemptions under Sections 8(1)(a) and 8(1)(g) of the RTI Act to deny disclosure of the aforesaid information, in view of the potential implications for national security and the life and physical safety of the prime minister, as specifically

pointed out by the petitioner," it said while allowing the Air Force's petition challenging the CIC order. SFR contains sensitive information regarding the Prime Minister of India, including details of the aircraft, aircrew, passengers and accompanying entourage. The court was hearing a plea filed by the Central Public Information Officer (CPIO), Directorate of Personal Services, Air Headquarters, Indian Air Force, challenging a July 2020 order of the CIC directing it to provide certified copies of available and relevant SFR-II records.

HC to hear Neha Bora's plea against 'peace' bond today

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THE Delhi High Court Wednesday said it will hear on October 22 All India Students' Association (AISA) President Neha Bora's plea against a Delhi Police notice asking her to execute a "peace" bond before a Special Executive Magistrate (SEM).

Bora, who has been at the forefront of protests against the alleged irregularities in the Election Commission's Special Intensive Revision (SIR) of electoral rolls, has sought quashing of the notice and directions to the police not to take any coercive action against her.

Justice Subramonium Prasad deferred hearing on the plea at the request of



Bora's counsel. The case was listed after the student leader sought an urgent hearing in the high court, which is shut this week for Dussehra vacation.

The notice, issued on October 17 under Section 126 Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita (BNSS), asked the student leader to appear before the SEM on Octo-

ber 19 and show cause why she should not execute a personal bond of Rs 10,000 with one surety "for keeping peace for a period of enquiry." Section 126 empowers the SEM to enforce such bond signing if there is credible information that a person is likely to breach peace, disturb public tranquillity, or commit a wrongful act that

may cause disturbance. Bora was taken into preventive detention on October 16 when she was on her way to join the Cockroach Janata Party (CJP)'s 'Lehra Do Tiranga' march. She was released on October 17.

In her petition, settled by lawyer Abhik Chimni, Bora said that the police notice is vague, factually incorrect, and contains no material or information to substantiate the "likelihood" of breach of peace. It does not disclose a "period, occasion or event in relation to which breach is apprehended", the plea argued, and asserted that the proceedings are a "colourable exercise of preventive powers to suppress peaceful dissent, in violation of Articles 19(1)(a), 19(1)(b) and 21 of the Constitution."

Mock drill conducted at Samba railway station

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A mock drill exercise was successfully conducted at Bari Brahmana Railway station in Jammu and Kashmir's Samba district on Wednesday to assess the preparedness of security forces and emergency response agencies in tackling potential security threats and responding to emergency situations, officials said.

The over half-an-hour-long exercise commenced at 10.15 am, covering the Railway Quarters and Railway Station in Bari Brahmana, the officials said.

They said multiple security and emergency response agencies participated in the drill, including the Special Operations Group of local police, Fire and Emergency Services, the Bomb Disposal Squad (BDS), the Dog Squad, SDRF, Railway Protection Force, and personnel from Government

Dasara stage has never been used for politics: Jagga Reddy

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• Jagga Reddy makes interesting remarks at Dasara celebrations in Sangareddy

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SANGAREDDY

TELANGANA PCC working president T Jagga Reddy has advised his constituents 'if your family members have high BP or diabetes, make sure they take their medication daily and stay protected; before praying to God each day, ensure that these patients take the prescribed medicines'.

Reddy appealed to the public during Dasara celebrations that special attention should be given to the health of people suffering from BP and diabetes to safeguard their well-being. If parents at home are suffering from these conditions, family members must ensure that they take their medication regularly. He



said that sons, daughters, and daughters-in-law have a responsibility to take care of their parents' health in old age.

Reddy, along with his family members, participated in the celebrations organised under his leadership at Ambedkar Stadium. He spoke emotionally about family values, the health of elders, and his long-standing bond with the people of Sangareddy.

The Dasara festivities were celebrated on a grand scale. The annual event, organised by Reddy, witnessed a magnificent turnout. Celebrations began with a special bhajan at the Ram Mandir. Reddy joined members of the Ram Mandir Bhajan Mandalali and devotees.

Later, following tradition, a procession carrying the sacred "Shami" ritual offering moved from Ram Mandir to Ambedkar Stadium where extensive arrangements were made for the celebrations. Under the guidance of Maheshwara

Sharma Siddhanti, Reddy and his family performed the traditional Jammi Puja.

The Ravana Dahanam emerged as a major attraction. Thousands watched the spectacle with enthusiasm. Fireworks illuminated the night sky, while an impressive drone show captivated the audience. A musical concert by renowned playback singers further enthralled the gathering.

Reddy recalled his political journey and association with Sangareddy. "Many people think I have a lot of money. Whatever money I earn, I spend every year on organising festivals for the people of Sangareddy. Forty years ago, when I was young, I participated in Dasara celebrations on this very ground along with my friends. From then until now, my bond with Sangareddy has remained strong. It is the people of Sangareddy who elevated me from the position of a councillor to where I am today," he said.

He went on to say that he

had never used the Dasara platform for political purposes. "I have never spoken politics or sought votes from this stage. However, I always share what is in my heart with the people," he remarked.

Reddy said, "my family is not limited to my wife and children. I consider all the people of Sangareddy as members of my family. That is why I celebrate festivals with everyone every year."

He stressed that children should pay greater attention to their parents' health as they grow older. Particularly in cases of hypertension and diabetes, elders must be encouraged to follow doctors' advice and take medicines regularly. He warned that spending crores of rupees after serious complications arise would be of little use if preventive care is neglected.

Reddy conveyed that festivals are not merely about entertainment and celebrations but also about strengthening family bonds, affection and togetherness.

Man accused of deceiving woman into sexual relationship gets bail

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A Delhi court has granted bail to a married man accused of deceiving a woman into having sexual intercourse with him on a false promise of marriage, saying that he had joined the investigation before his arrest and that the investigating officer could not point out any need for his custodial interrogation.

Additional Sessions Judge Rajinder Kumar was hearing a plea filed by the man who was arrested on September 16 in a case registered under BNS Sec-



tion 69 at Kirti Nagar police station. The accused had claimed that their relationship was consensual. Section 69 deals with sexual

intercourse by employing deceitful means, including a false promise of marriage made without the intention of fulfilling it. In an order dated October 16,

the court said, "The applicant has joined the investigation in this case prior to his arrest. Nothing is to be recovered from/at the instance of the accused." The IO has failed to point out any ground for which custodial interrogation of the applicant is required."

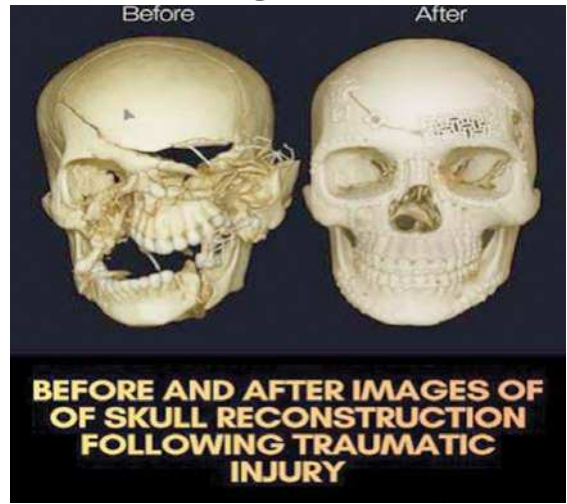
The court directed the man to furnish a personal bond of Rs 25,000 with one surety of the same amount. Opposing the bail plea, the prosecution and the complainant's counsel argued that the allegations were serious and the investigation was underway.

Hospital reconstructs accident victim's skull using his bone

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A 27-year-old man who suffered severe brain injuries in a road accident underwent emergency surgery at a Delhi hospital, where doctors removed blood clots, relieved pressure on his brain and later reconstructed his skull using a portion of bone removed during the initial procedure. The patient was brought to Manipal Hospital, Dwarka, with multiple intracranial bleeds, extensive brain swelling and a skull fracture. He had also sustained injuries to his ribs and shoulder, the hospital said in a statement.

The neurosurgery team, led by Dr Anurag Saxena, performed surgery to remove blood clots from both sides of the brain and temporarily removed a portion of the skull to accommodate the swelling and prevent further damage. Following



intensive care and a prolonged recovery, the patient underwent a second procedure in which the removed bone flap was placed back to reconstruct the skull and restore its protective covering.

The patient showed steady improvement and was discharged in a stable condition, the hospital said. Explaining the procedure,

Saxena said severe brain swelling can cause pressure to build up inside the skull, threatening the brain's blood supply and vital functions. The temporary removal of a portion of the skull gives the swollen brain room to expand, while the same bone can be used for reconstruction once the patient's condition improves, he said.

Mathura Road, ORR among 'most' dangerous GT road stretches

Other accident-prone locations along the Grand Trunk Road include Mukarba Chowk, Libas Pur bus stand and Singhu Border, each of which recorded seven fatal crashes

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DELHITES, beware! Some of the capital's busiest roads, including Mathura Road, Outer Ring Road and Grand Trunk Road, are also among those recording the highest number of fatal accidents, with a Delhi Traffic Police assessment identifying 153 ac-

cident-prone locations across the city.

The Outer Ring Road, Ring Road and Grand Trunk Road figure among the 10 roads with the highest number of fatal accidents. The other stretches on the list are Urban Extension Road-II, Rohtak Road, Wazirabad Road, Najafgarh Road, NH-24, Mathura Road and NH-

8. Swaroop Nagar on the Grand Trunk Road recorded 13 fatal crashes in 2025, the highest among the identified black spots, according to data shared by the traffic police.

Other accident-prone locations along the Grand Trunk Road include Mukarba Chowk, Libas Pur bus stand and Singhu Border, each of which recorded seven



fatal crashes. On the Outer Ring Road, Bhalswa Chowk and Haiderpur Metro Station recorded seven fatal crashes each. On the Ring Road, ISBT Kashmere Gate reported eight fatal crashes, while Azadpur Chowk recorded six.

On the Mathura Road, Modi Mill flyover and Tughlaqabad Road Metro Station recorded four fatal crashes each.

The assessment provides a location-wise picture of accident-prone areas across the capital, covering major road

junctions, flyovers, bus terminals, stretches near metro stations and other busy corridors.

The list is shared with the concerned government departments and road-owning agencies to help them undertake remedial and corrective measures. Several other locations also figure in the list, including the ITO/IP Flyover, Anand Vihar ISBT, Prem Bari Pull, SGT Nagar, Hanuman Mandir, Barapullah Flyover, VIP College in Pitampura, AIIMS, Punjabi Bagh Chowk, Jahangirpuri

EE Block and the stretch near Nizamuddin-Yamuna Bridge.

These locations include major traffic intersections and transport hubs that witness heavy vehicular movement, highlighting the challenge of improving road safety across the city. The traffic police assessment also identifies roads reporting the highest number of pedestrian fatalities between January 1 and September 30, 2026, with 492 pedestrian deaths recorded across the city during the period.

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