Man who helped save Pant from wreckage battling for his own life

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Rajat Kumar and Nishu on scooters presented by Pant

Muzaffarnagar/Roorkee: It was a bitterly cold Dec night in 2022 when Rajat Kumar and Nishu Kumar spotted a crumpled Mercedes — upside down, smouldering — near Roorkee on Delhi-Dehradun highway. They didn't know then that the injured man they pulled from the wreckage — half-conscious and profusely bleeding — was star cricketer Rishabh Pant. They called the police and stayed with him till help arrived. Pant later said the two were "heroes who helped me... I'll be forever grateful and indebted".

Months after Pant gifted him a scooter as a token of gratitude, Rajat is fighting for his life in a hospital in Jhabreda, Uttarakhand, accused of a crime he insists he did not commit. On Sunday evening, Rajat, 25, and his 21-year-old girlfriend Manu Kashyap, consumed poison together. Their love was not meant to last — different castes, disapproving families, marriages arranged elsewhere. In despair, they made a suicide pact, or so it seemed. A resident of their village, Bochha Basti, spotted them writhing on the ground and raised the alarm. By the time their families arrived, much damage was done. They were rushed to a local hospital. Manu's family transferred her to another facility where she died before dawn on Tuesday while Rajat, barely clinging to life, is still in treatment.

Then, hours after Manu was cremated, her mother walked into Purkazi police station and filed a murder complaint against Rajat, accusing him of poisoning her daughter.

Now, the village that once took pride in Rajat's bravery whispers about scandal. In a place where "family honour" is currency, a young man and woman trying to defy caste and family expectations is not just a personal crisis — it is a communal one.

Muzaffarnagar SP Satyanarayan Prajapat said no police case had been filed until Manu's mother intervened. The local police, under station in-charge Javeer Singh, have turned their attention to Manu's mother's allegations. "We have received a written complaint from the woman's family accusing Rajat of poisoning her," Singh told TOI. "We are examining all aspects of the case and will determine the next steps based on our findings."

Doctors said Rajat is showing signs of recovery. "Both consumed a strong pesticide," said Dr Dinesh Tripathi of Pragya Hospital in Jhabreda. "We began immediate treatment. Manu's family moved her elsewhere, but Rajat is improving under our care."

'This is a serious case, senior bureaucrats are fleecing the country'

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Strongly opposing the bail on behalf of ED, additional solicitor general S V Raju said, "Crooks cannot get away on technical grounds. This is a serious case. Senior bureaucrats are fleecing the country. They are milking the economy and taking money to Dubai and Netherlands. HC did not pass the order on the ground that there was no offence but on a technical ground. Interpretation of law should not be done in such a way to protect crooks." The bench, however, did not agree. "The concept of PMLA cannot be to ensure that a person should remain in jail. I tell you frankly, looking at several roses... See what happened in 498A cases, if this is the approach of ED, it is very, very serious," the bench told Raju.

As the court further raised questions on ED's approach of not taking sanction from the authority concerned despite knowing that it was required, Raju said it could not be said to be the agency's approach but that of an individual officer. Trying to dispel the impression that ED wanted to keep the accused in jail, Raju said HC's order did not mean that there was no offence and that the case against Tripathi had been closed. He told the court that sanction had now been taken.

T'gana to table bill for 42% quota to BCs

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Hyderabad: Telangana govt will introduce a bill in assembly in the first week of March to grant 42% reservation to Backward Classes (BCs) in education, employment, and local bodies. The move aims to fulfil a long-pending demand for quota proportional to the BC population.

The bill, first approved by the state cabinet, was a key promise in Congress's "BC Declaration" made in Kamareddy during the 2023 assembly elections. Govt will seek unanimous support from all political parties before taking the bill to Centre, urging Parliament to pass a law enshrining the quota.

"Congress govt will not stop at just approving the 42% quota in the assembly but will push for its passage in Parliament. CM Revanth Reddy will lead a delegation to meet PM Modi and seek national support," deputy CM Bhatti Vikramarka said Wednesday.

With Parliament's budget session set for March, Telangana aims to build pressure for the bill's approval. Bhatti said the state's recent caste survey, which found that 56% of the population belongs to BC communities, justified the enhanced quota despite financial strain.

According to sources, the long-pending panchayat elections may be held in April or May after the bill's passage. The quota will be implemented based on recommendations from the BC Commission led by Busani Venkateshwara Rao. Govt is also offering a "second chance" for 31% of households missed in the socio-economic and caste survey.

'Spouse entitled for alimony even in void marriages'

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New Delhi: Supreme Court on Wednesday ruled that a spouse involved in a void marriage like bigamy is also entitled to seek permanent alimony and maintenance from his or her partner under the Hindu Marriage Act.

In view of contradictory judgements delivered on the issue of maintenance of spouse in cases of void marriage, a three-judge bench of Justices Abhay S Oka, Ahsanuddin Amanullah and Augustine George Masih passed the judgement and held that void marriages also come within the ambit of sections 24 and 25 of Hindu Marriage Act which talks about maintenance and alimony.

The marriages are void under 1955 Act: (1) If one or both the parties to the marriage have a spouse living at the time of marriage; (2) The parties to the marriage are within the degrees of prohibited relationship and (3) The parties are sapindas of each other, unless the custom or usage governing each of them permits of a marriage between the two. A sapinda relationship is based on a common ancestor within three generations on the mother's side and five generations on the father's side.

"A spouse whose marriage has been declared void under Section 11 of the 1955 Act is entitled to seek permanent alimony or maintenance from the other spouse by invoking Section 25 of the Act. Whether such a relief of permanent alimony can be granted or not always depends on the facts of each case and the conduct of the parties. The grant of relief under Section 25 is always discretionary", the bench said. It also held that the maintenance could also be granted during the litigation.

The court also took strong exception to Bombay HC full bench order for using objectionable terms for women involved in void marriage "... the Full Bench has coined the term illegitimate wife. Calling the wife of a marriage declared as void as an illegitimate wife is very inappropriate. It affects the dignity of the concerned woman. Unfortunately the Bombay HC went to the extent of using the words illegitimate wife," it said.

'Honouring those who broke Sena': Raut slams Pawar

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Sharad Pawar honours Shinde in New Delhi

Mumbai: Sharad Pawar's move of felicitating deputy CM Eknath Shinde at a function in New Delhi triggered a political row within Maha Vikas Aghadi on Wednesday, with Shiv Sena (UBT) MP Sanjay Raut saying honouring those who "divided" Maharashtra was a blow to the state's identity and self respect. and Rohit Pawar of NCP-SP retorting that Raut's reacting was surprising and that the distinction between socio-cultural events and political differences had always been maintained in Maharashtra.

Shinde, for his part, responded to Raut's comment by saying the MP's "mental balance" had "deteriorated."

Pawar on Tuesday presented Mahaduji Shinde Rashtra Gaurav Puraskar to Shinde in the presence of Union minister Jyotiraditya Scindia on the occasion of the 56th Akhil Bharitya Marathi Sahitya Sammelan.

Raut said Shinde had split Shiv Sena with the help of Amit Shah, and felicitating Shinde was akin to honouring Shah. "This is our feeling, perhaps Sharad Pawar's feeling may be different. But the people of Maharashtra have not accepted this. You are honouring those who broke Shiv Sena; this has hurt us. Politics in Delhi may be different, but this has hurt us. Some things are to be avoided in politics. You (Sharad Pawar) and Ajit Pawar may be having an affair, but we are taking the next step with this in mind," Raut said. "Maharashtra politics is going in a very strange direction... We feel Pawar should not have attended the event."

Rape survivor has legal right to say no to motherhood: HC

Rajesh Kumar Pandey | TNN

Prayagraj: A sexual assault victim had a legal right in relation to her body, which included saying 'yes' or 'no' to being a mother, the Allahabad high court recently observed, allowing a petition by a 17-year-old rape survivor to medically terminate her pregnancy.

A division bench comprising justices Mahesh Chandra Tripathi and Prashant Kumar said section 3(2) of the Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Act provides the right to a victim of sexual assault to medically terminate her pregnancy.

Taking into account the urgency of the case, the court, in its order dated Feb 10, directed a medical examination of the petitioner the same day by a three-member medical committee. Denying the right to choose not to be a mother of her rapist's child would add to the survivor's miseries, the bench added. The HC further said that "fastening her with responsibility of motherhood would amount to denying her human right to live with dignity". The petitioner was lured by the accused to elope with him. Acting on a complaint by her father, police rescued her.

Her counsel alleged she was raped multiple times and investigation regarding the same had been requested before a sessions court. The petitioner is now 18 weeks pregnant, and her counsel submitted that it was causing her anguish as she did not want the responsibility of a child.

The court observed that MTP Act and MTP Rules provide for termination of pregnancy up to 24 weeks for survivors of sexual assault, rape or incest, if she is a minor and if such pregnancy is causing mental anguish to the survivor.

Pak attempts terror push with ceasefire breach in Poonch

Sanjay Khajuria | TNN

Jammu: Pakistani soldiers violated the ceasefire by firing without provocation in forward areas along the LoC in J&K's Poonch district Wednesday evening. Security sources said the attack was an attempt to push terrorists into India, using cover fire as a decoy.

"Our border guards gave a befitting response in equal calibre. There are no immediate reports of casualties or damage on our side," an official source said.

The two nations had earlier agreed to the "strict observance" of all peace and ceasefire agreements. However, Pakistan has repeatedly breached the accord.

One of the most blatant violations occurred on Sept 11 last year, when gunfire from across the border killed a BSF trooper in Akhnoor sector of Jammu, and another was shot dead when Pakistan Rangers fired at Indian posts in Samba in Nov 2023.

The latest firing comes amid rising hostilities along the LoC. Security forces anticipate an early start to infiltration attempts this year as melting snow in mountainous regions eases movement for terrorists.

"The winter lull, which typically stretches for several months, may be shorter than usual this year due to rising temperatures," a security source said.

Recent attacks highlight the growing threat. On Monday, a bullet fired from across the border hit a soldier at a forward post in Nowshera sector of Rajouri district. On Feb 6, gunfire from a forest across the LoC targeted an Army patrol in Keri sector of Rajouri.

On Tuesday, Captain Karanjit Singh Bakshi, 27, and Naik Mukesh Singh Manhas, 20, lost their lives in an IED attack near the LoC in Akhnoor. Security sources estimate 70 to 80 Pakistani terrorists are active in J&K, with 55 to 60 in Jammu region. These "highly trained intruders" operate in small groups, equipped with weapons like M4 carbines and thermal imaging devices. Their ability to coordinate attacks in the rugged terrain, which offers ample natural cover, poses a major challenge.

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VILLAGE PANCHAYAT MORLEM SATTARI-GOA
Ref No: VP/Morlem/SAT/2024-2025/ Notice/1004 TENDER NOTICE Date: 11/02/2025
The Sarpanch, Village Panchayat Morlem invites sealed percentage rate tenders from approved and eligible contractors registered in appropriate class and category of PWD/Railways/WES/WRC for the execution of below mentioned works.

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated amount (up to since tendering 25%)	EMD Rs.	Time period	Class & category of Contractor		Cost of Tender Form
					As per old registration	As per new registration	
1	Reconstruction of footpath with slope & laying of pavers from Mala road Chawdi Morajkar Angan to Vandani river at Kosarwaswada VP Morlem Sattari Goa under XV III F.C. Fund	3173212.20	63442.00	90 days	Class IV & above R&LD	Class V & above R&LD	4000/-

Terms and conditions: 1. Last date of receiving application 21/02/2025 up to 12.00 noon along with cost of tender form (non-refundable) and EMD. 2. Date of issue of bid's tender form 24/02/2025 up to 12.00 noon. 3. Date of receipt of sealed tender 27/02/2025 up to 12.00 noon and will be opened on same day at 1.00 pm. 4. Application for issue of tender form shall be accompanied with: a) Attested copy of valid registration certificate of the contractor in the concerned category of work. b) Attested copy of PAN card. c) Copy of valid GST registration Certificate and acknowledgement of up to date filed returns with ARN (Application Reference Number) generated on GST portal. d) Declaration of the works in hand shall be submitted with detailed list indicating the present status on Rs. 100/- Stamp paper (however tender form will not be issued to the person who has works in hand more than four times the tendering limit). e) EMD shall be in form of Demand Draft / Deposit Call Receipt (DCR) Pay order from Nationalized or Scheduled bank drawn in favour of the Sarpanch, VP Morlem Payable at Village Panchayat Morlem. f) Contractor shall submit separate application for each work. 5) Unsealed and conditional tenders will be rejected outright. 6) The contractor shall quote the tender excluding GST & GST as applicable shall be paid separately on total value of work executed. 8) For the tenders / items of tender in case of being quoted abnormally below i.e. 20.00 % below the estimated cost then the contractor shall furnish an demand an additional performance security in the form of Bank guarantee from Nationalized/Schedule Bank for that amount which is worked out as difference between quoted amount and reasonable Amount reduced to 20.00 %. 10). Right to accept or reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons is reserved.
Sd/-
Sarpanch, Village Panchayat Morlem, Sattari-Goa

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Subject to be taken up	Qualification & Experience
22.02.2025 9.00 AM to 9.30 AM (No entry is allowed after 9.30 AM)	Graduate Degree, PGT with Honors Degree, Bachelor's degree Degree with specified subjects, Degree with a BA Degree, Diploma, Degree engineer, etc. PGT: (English, Hindi, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Maths, Economics, Commerce, Computer Science) TGT: (Hindi, English, Maths, Social Science, Sanskrit & Science) Primary Teacher, Computer Instructor, Sports Coach cum Yoga Teacher, Counselor, Special Educator, Nurse

- Interested candidates may send an application in one one contained all relevant documents and all certificates and all other details and
- Please enclosure the filled in one one (TA/DA) in prescribed Proforma & self attested
- Only Shortlisted candidates will be intimated through telephone & also on Google form
- Bring downloaded registration form in hard copy, one set of photocopies of all relevant documents along with originals and one passport size photograph.
- No TA/DA will be paid for attending interview.
- For eligibility, qualification, salary, registration form and how to apply, visit the announcement section of school website link: https://bambolim.kvs.ac.in/
- Contact: KV Bambolim Camp Goa: kvbambolim@gmail.com
- Note: It is mandatory for every candidate to fill the Google Form regarding Profile details available on the school website.
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Extract Of Statement Of Unaudited Standalone And Consolidated Financial Results For The Quarter And Nine Month Ended 31st December 2024
(Rs. in lakhs except Per Share Value)

Particulars	Standalone						Consolidated					
	Quarter Ended			Nine Month Ended		Year Ended	Quarter Ended			Nine Month Ended		Year Ended
	31-12-2024 (Un-Audited)	30-09-2024 (Un-Audited)	31-12-2023 (Un-Audited)	31-12-2024 (Un-Audited)	31-12-2023 (Un-Audited)	31-03-2024 (Audited)	31-12-2024 (Un-Audited)	30-09-2024 (Un-Audited)	31-12-2023 (Un-Audited)	31-12-2024 (Un-Audited)	31-12-2023 (Un-Audited)	31-03-2024 (Audited)
Total income from operations	1540.66	4571.94	5247.94	14614.43	15673.29	20836.47	8758.37	5246.70	6190.08	18590.96	18007.46	24343.47
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	10.59	-32.58	37.79	-42.07	-57.77	7.86	281.24	-132.02	221.63	41.14	168.16	356.96
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	10.59	-32.58	37.79	-42.07	-57.77	7.86	281.24	-132.02	221.63	41.14	168.16	356.96
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Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax))	10.59	-32.58	37.79	-42.07	-57.77	4.96	281.24	-132.02	221.63	41.14	168.16	316.85
Equity share capital Face Value of Equity Share Rs. 10/-Per Share)	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserves as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of previous year)	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-207.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2019.89
Earnings Per Share (before extraordinary items) (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing operations)												
	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
Basic:	0.21	-0.65	1.26	-0.84	-1.93	0.19	9.37	-4.40	7.39	1.37	5.61	10.37
Diluted:	0.21	-0.65	1.26	-0.84	-1.93	0.19	9.37	-4.40	7.39	1.37	5.61	10.37

Notes:
(1) The above is an extract of the detailed format of Annual Standalone and Consolidated financial results for the quarter ended 12th February 2025 filed with the Stock Exchange under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Annual Standalone and Consolidated Financial results are available on the Stock Exchange website www.bseindia.com and the website of the Company at www.tradewings.in
(2) The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and taken on record by the Board of Directors at their respective meeting held on the 12th February 2025.The current quarter & financial year results are audited by the Statutory Auditors of the Company.
(3) No Provision for impairment of investments in its wholly owned subsidiary - Trade Wings Hotels Ltd. has been made in the Financial Results, as each management is expecting the positive trends in the result of the subsidiary on going concern basis.
(4) These Financial Results have been prepared in accordance with Indian Accounting Standards (Ind-AS) prescribed under section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the relevant rules thereunderas amended from time to time and in terms of Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 Listing Regulations) in accordance with Ind-AS 108, Operating Segments, Segment information has been provided in the audited Standalone and Consolidated financial results of the Company.
(5) Previous period figures have been re-grouped / re-classified wherever necessary, to confirm to the period's classification.

FOR TRADE WINGS LTD.
Dr Shailendra P Mittal
Managing Director
Place: Mumbai
Date: 12th February 2025