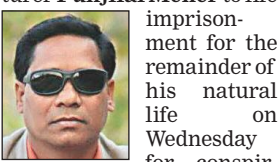


Ex-lecturer gets life term for parcel bomb murders

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Bhubaneswar/Patna-garh: A court in Balangir district's Patnagarh sentenced former English lecturer Punjilal Meher to life imprisonment for the remainder of his natural life on Wednesday for conspiring and killing two people using a parcel bomb concealed in a wedding gift in 2018, considered a first-of-its-kind crime in Odisha.



The additional district judge judgment, spread over 209 pages, held Meher guilty under various IPC sections for murder, attempted murder, disappearance of evidence, and making explosives. The court held the motive behind the premeditated murder was professional jealousy.

Probe 171 alleged fake encounters in 2021: SC to Assam rights panel

Disposes Of PIL, Says No Cogent Material To Substantiate Allegations

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New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Wednesday asked the Assam Human Rights Commission (AHRC) to inquire into 171 alleged incidents of fake encounters carried out by state police in 2021 but said barring a few incidents the PIL petitioner's claim about fake encounters appeared to be speculative.

A bench of Justices Surya Kant and N Kotiwar Singh disposed of a petition by an advocate Arif M Y Jwadder and said, "We direct the AHRC to issue a public notice inviting all individuals who claim to be aggrieved (victims and their family members) by the alleged police encounters to come forward and furnish relevant evidence."

Allowing AHRC to select



SC directed AHRC to issue a public notice inviting all individuals who claim to be aggrieved (victims and their family members) by the alleged police encounters to come forward and furnish relevant evidence

team of police officials unconnected to the encounters for further inquiry into some cases if the need be, the bench said "fair and impartial inquiry" is a right of citizens aggrieved by police action and expected AHRC to adopt robust measures akin to witness protection protocols to safeguard the privacy, safety and security of those participating in the inquiry process.

The state, in its counter-affidavit had said that out of a total of 171 cases, chargesheets have been filed in 125 cases, forwarding reports submitted in 23 cases, and remaining 23 cases are under investigation.

Writing the judgment and examining the allegations of the petitioner, Justice Kant said he has failed to independently place on record any cogent or verifiable material to substantiate the allegations.

Justice Kant said, "After minutely scanning such data, prima facie it seems that barring a few cases, it is difficult to infer that there has been a procedural breakdown, or the guidelines (relating to encounter inquiry) were flagrantly violated. In the absence of independent corroboration or affidavits from affected persons, the assertions remain speculative."

Referring to the status report relating to each FIR furnished by Assam, SC, "These documents prima facie belie (petitioner's) claim of inaction and do establish that, at least at the foundational level, the criminal process was duly initiated.

Referring to the 171 incidents of fake encounter alleged by petitioner, the bench said, "Mere compilation or aggregation of cases does not, by itself, call for omnibus judicial directions. The allegations that some of these incidents may involve fake encounters are indeed serious and, if proven, would amount to a grave violation of the right to life under Article 21 of the Constitution."

Ashoka prof's lawyers seek relaxation in 'gag order'

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SC asked SIT to confine its probe to these issues after Mahmudabad's lawyer expressed apprehension that its ambit may be expanded. It asked SIT, "Where's the need to check his (electronic) devices?"

Appearing for Mahmudabad, senior advocates Kapil Sibal and Sidharth Luthra repeatedly pleaded with a partial working day bench of Justices Surya Kant and Dipankar Datta for relaxation of the 'gag order' while promising that the Oxford educated professor would not indulge in the kind of writing which attracted two FIRs and which the bench had called "dog whistling" during the last hearing.

Sibal repeated his request several times. "Mahmudabad will not write anything relating to the issues involved in the two FIRs. Let that condition be deleted from the May 21 order by which the petitioner was granted interim bail. He is a mature person and Oxford educated. This is my earnest request. He knows where he landed because of the writings. I am beseeching you to delete the condition as it does not look nice," he said.

He failed to persuade the bench, which said, "He needs to wait for some time. You (Sibal) remind us of this during the next hearing. The condition is confined to the contents of the FIRs. We do not want him to run a parallel commentary on the issues under investigation."

84-yr-old Raj woman donates kidney to save 46-year-old daughter

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Jaipur: In an extraordinary case of organ donation at Jaipur's SMS Hospital, 84-year-old Buddhho Devi donated her kidney to her daughter Guddi, battling chronic kidney disease. The transplant surgery, performed successfully on May 23, marks the first instance of an octogenarian donor at the state's largest govt healthcare facility.

Guddi (46) was diagnosed with chronic kidney disease (CKD) and was dependent on regular dialysis since Oct 2024. With both her kidneys failing, a transplant became critical for survival. Buddhho Devi, her elderly mother, was identified as a suitable donor. She defied conventional medical wisdom that considers organ donation risky for individuals above 60-65 years and stepped up to save her ailing daughter's life.

"I never felt afraid when doctors asked me if I could donate my kidney to my daughter. I have lived my life. If any of my organs can relieve my children's pain, I am happy to help them," the 84-year-old

from Bharatpur told TOI over the phone.

The team of doctors who operated said Buddhho Devi remains in good health following the kidney transplant and that her fitness levels, notwithstanding her age, aided in the success of the transplant. "I never fell ill in my life, apart from some fever. I have led a healthy life. I have seven big bas of land and cattle for farming and cattle rearing. I worked throughout my life. I drink milk and eat ghee from the cattle I read, and eat vegetables that I grow on my land," said Devi, who said she has never been diagnosed with lifestyle diseases such as hypertension or diabetes.

Transplant surgery was performed on May 23 and the octogenarian discharged from hospital three days later. Her daughter, Guddi Devi, remains in ICU for post-operative care.

"Buddho Devi has become the oldest kidney donor among SMS hospital's 793 kidney transplants to date," Dr Dhananjay Agrawal, senior professor (nephrology), SMS Hospital, told TOI.



Single hand can't clap, says SC, gives bail to rape accused

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Wednesday gave interim bail to a 23-year-old accused of raping a 40-year-old, noting that charges had not been framed even though he had been in jail for nine months.

In scathing comments, a bench comprising Justices B V Nagarathna and Satish Chandra Sharma also asked how Delhi Police could file a rape case against the man, a

social media influencer, when the woman had gone voluntarily with him.

"A single hand can't clap. On what basis have you filed case under Section 376 of IPC. She is not a baby. The woman is 40 years old. They have gone together to Jammu. Why have you invoked 376. This lady goes to Jammu seven times and the husband is not bothered," the bench observed.

It directed that the accused be produced before the trial court and granted interim bail subject to terms and conditions. He shall not misuse his liberty and not attempt to contact the woman, the bench said.

The court also remarked on the man, asking, "Who gets influenced by such people?" The court was hearing a plea filed by the man against an order of the Delhi High

court which declined to grant him bail considering the seriousness of the allegations.

According to the police complaint, the woman first came into contact with him in 2021 through social media while seeking a social media influencer to promote her clothing brand.

During initial interactions, the accused allegedly requested an iPhone to enhance content creation,

which she arranged through an authorised Apple Store in Jammu. However, their professional relationship soured after the accused attempted to resell the device. The authorised seller returned the money in the account of the woman, but after deducting Rs 20,000. Although he promised to return the money, the woman after a while decided to end all ties with him, the complaint stated.

Govt gives nod for rail projects in Maha, MP

New Delhi: Cabinet on Wednesday approved extension of a national highway project in Andhra Pradesh and two multi-tracking of railway corridors in Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra, entailing a total investment of more than Rs 7,000 crore to push infrastructure development in the country.

While the new four-lane 108-km Badvel-Nellore highway project will improve connectivity to Krishnapatnam port in Andhra, the multi-tracking of railway lines — Ratlam-Nagda and Wardha-Balharshah — will decongest East-West and North-South rail corridors, particularly for trains heading towards Mumbai.

Announcing the decisions, I&B minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said the four-lane Badvel-Nellore corridor on NH-67 would be taken up on public private partnership mode. TNN

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'S-400 & BrahMos Sindoor top guns'

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New Delhi: The S-400 system and the jointly-manufactured BrahMos missiles were used by India in the conflict with Pakistan and their performance was exemplary, Alipov told IANS news agency.

The S-400 was credited with the shooting down of Pakistani drones and missiles during the conflict that followed India's Operation Sindoor that targeted terrorist camps in Pakistan. India maintained that it had only hit terrorist camps and its actions on May 7 were non-escalatory.

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Govt notifies rules for tri-Service military chiefs

New Delhi: Govt has notified the rules that empower military commanders of all existing tri-Service organisations, and future chiefs of the long-pending theatre commands, with full administrative and disciplinary powers over Army, Navy and IAF personnel serving under them.

The rules formulated under the Inter-Services Organisations (Command, Control and Discipline) Act, 2023, came into effect on Tuesday. "This significant step aims to bolster effective command, control and efficient functioning of inter-services organisations (ISOs), thereby strengthening jointness among the armed forces," the defence ministry said.

The ISO Act itself came into force with effect from May 10 last year after the bill was passed by Parliament during the monsoon session in 2023. It will also be an enabler for the creation of the planned integrated theatre commands (ITCs) for a joint war-fighting machinery in a cost-effective manner. "With the notification of these rules, the Act is now fully operational. This will empower the heads of the ISOs, enable the expeditious disposal of disciplinary cases, and help avoid the duplication of proceedings," it added.

There will be two "adversary-specific" ITCs — one for the northern borders with China at Lucknow and the other for the western front with Pakistan at Jaipur. The Maritime Theatre Command at Thiruvananthapuram, in turn, will be for the Indian Ocean Region. TNN

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Extract of Statement of Annual Audited Standalone and Consolidated Financial Results for the Quarter and Financial year ended 31st March 2025  
(Rs. in lakhs except EPS)  
Particulars Standalone Consolidated  
Quarter Ended Year Ended Year Ended  
31-03-2025 31-03-2024 31-03-2025 31-03-2024 31-03-2025 31-03-2024  
(Audited) (Audited) (Audited) (Audited) (Audited) (Audited)  
Total income from operations 5226.00 5159.18 21244.45 20834.47 24939.62 24242.46  
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items) 122.88 65.62 60.80 7.86 361.52 356.97  
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items) 122.88 65.62 60.80 7.86 361.52 356.97  
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items) 119.29 63.53 57.21 5.76 380.34 311.17  
Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)] 111.13 62.67 49.05 4.90 377.67 316.86  
Equity share capital(Face Value of Equity Share Re. 10/-Per Share ) 300.00 300.00 300.00 300.00 300.00 300.00  
Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserves as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of previous year) 0.00 0.00 -157.16 -207.82 -1426.77 -1806.05  
Earnings Per Share (before extraordinary items) (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing operations)  
Basic: 3.98 2.12 1.91 0.19 12.68 10.37  
Diluted: 3.98 2.12 1.91 0.19 12.68 10.37  
Earnings Per Share (after extraordinary items) (of Rs. 10/- each) (for discontinued operations)  
Basic: 3.98 2.12 1.91 0.19 12.68 10.37  
Diluted: 3.98 2.12 1.91 0.19 12.68 10.37  
Note:  
(1) The above is an extract of the detailed format of Annual Standalone and Consolidated financial results for the quarter and year ended March 31, 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 28th May 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 such management is expecting the positive trends in the result of the subsidiary on going concern basis.  
(4) The figures for the year ended 31 March, 2025 have been audited by the Statutory Auditors of the Company. The Report of the Statutory Auditor is unqualified. The figures for the quarters ended 31st March, 2025 and 31 March 2024 are the balancing figures between audited figures in respect of the full financial years and the published unaudited year to date figures up to the end of the third quarter of the relevant financial year, which were subjected to limited review by the Statutory Auditors of the Company.  
(5) 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 thereunder as 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.  
(6) Previous period figures have been re-grouped / re-classified wherever necessary, to confirm to this period's classification.  
Place: Mumbai  
Date: 28th May 2025  
For Trade -Wings Limited  
Dr. Shailendra P. Mittal  
DIN: 00221661  
Chairman and Managing Director

Government of India  
Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment  
Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)  
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