

... to probe agency IFS officer's petition

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DEHRADUN: The Delhi high court has issued notice to the Public Information Office (PIO) of the Central Bureau of Investigation on a contempt petition filed by Indian Forest Service (IFS) officer Sanjiv Chaturvedi regarding non-compliance of its order passed on January this year.

Chaturvedi had sought information from CBI, regarding investigations done by him as chief vigilance officer (CVO) in New Delhi in 2017. However, when information was not provided to him by the CBI, he reached the Central Information Commission (CIC) in 2018. The CIC had allowed his appeal in December 2019 and directed CBI to provide information to the officer. CBI subsequently challenged this before the Delhi high court in 2020.

The order passed on January this year in the case, the court, rejected the contentions of CBI against orders of CIC. It noted that "organizations mentioned under Second Schedule of the RTI Act" have to grant information, "if the information pertains to the allegation of corruption or violation of human rights."

The order passed by justice

IN THE ORDER PASSED ON JANUARY 30, THIS YEAR IN THE CASE, THE HC, REJECTED THE CONTENTIONS OF CBI AGAINST ORDERS OF CIC

Mini Pushkarna on March 28, 2024 stated that "by way of order dated 25th November 2019, the Information Commissioner of the CIC had directed to provide information to the petitioner within 15 days from date of receipt of the order."

The order further noted that "Counsel for the petitioner further submits that the petition of the respondent (CBI) against the aforesaid order was dismissed by the learned Single Judge (of Delhi high court) vide judgment dated 30th January 2024. It is submitted that despite categorical directions, the requisite documents have still not been supplied to the petitioner".

The order further stated that "counsel appearing for the respondent submits that the respondent is in the process of filing an appeal against the judgment dated 30th January 2024. Let reply be filed within a period of four weeks. Rejoinder thereto, if any, be filed within two weeks thereafter". The matter has been scheduled for the next hearing on May 27, 2024.

at large; cops intensify search

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DEHRADUN: The twelve teams working to solve the murder case of Nanakmatta Gurdwara Kar Sewa chief Baba Tarsem Singh in Udham Singh Nagar district on Thursday are yet to arrest the assailants who shot at him.

The police have intensified their search for the assailants, with US Nagar senior superintendent of police (SSP) Manjunath TC cancelling the leaves of police personnel.

US Nagar SSP Manjunath TC said: "Even though we haven't been able to arrest the culprits, we have got significant inputs. We will soon crack the case. I have cancelled the leaves of police personnel to intensify our investigation to crack the case."

He said, "According to the footage of the CCTV cameras on the route they escaped after committing the murder, the two assailants split their ways."

He added that one of the assailants who had been posting on Facebook about the murder was misleading the police and diverting our attention.

"The profile is being operated from different locations across the country," the SSP added.

In a post on Facebook on Thursday, seen by HT, a user by the name of Sarbjit Singh claimed responsibility for the murder and alleged the deceased made girls dance in the gurd-

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wara to welcome CM Dhama, a move that hurt Sikh sentiments.

On Thursday morning, Tarsem Singh was allegedly shot dead by two men on the premises of the shrine in Nanakmatta town. According to the police, the incident took place at around 6.15 am when the two accused arrived on a motorcycle and the one riding pillion opened fire at him using a rifle.

The police teams have been conducting raids at possible locations in Uttar Pradesh and Punjab to nab the assailants.

According to police, Tarn Taran (Punjab) resident Sarbjit Singh was riding the bike and Rampur (Uttar Pradesh) resident Amarjeet Singh was the pillion rider who fired shots at the deceased.

Dehradun Police have booked five people, including a retired Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer, for the murder, an officer aware of the matter said.

According to an FIR registered at Nanakmatta police station late on Thursday, the two men — Sarbjit Singh and Amarjeet Singh, entered the dera premises from its main gate on a

motorcycle and assailant riding a pillion opened fire at Baba Tarsem Singh, who was seated on a chair and roles of retired IAS officer Harvansh Singh Chugh, who is a resident of Gadarpur in US Nagar and president of Nanakmatta Gurdwara Prabandhak Committee that oversees the affairs of the gurdwara, Baba Anup Singh from Rampur in Uttar Pradesh, and Pritam Singh Sandhu, from Gadarpur and vice-president of regional Sikh organisation, were under suspicion.

The FIR was registered under sections 302 (murder), 34 (common intention) and 120B (criminal conspiracy) of the Indian Penal Code (IPC).

In the FIR, Jasvir Singh, who lives in the dera, said the two accused stayed in room number 23 of yatri niwas (travellers hostel) of the gurdwara since March 19. "Both were seen on the dera (resting place for sewaks) premises two days ago. One of them identified himself as Sarbjit Singh, a resident of Miawindwala in Tarn Taran, in the enclaves and submitted an Aarhaan card as proof of identity. The two assailants came to the yatri niwas without any private vehicle and were not carrying any weapon. A local resident suspected to have provided the motorcycle and weapons used in the crime. The assailant riding pillion was Amarjeet Singh, a resident of Rampur," the FIR said.

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NOTICE FOR CANCELLATION OF EXTRA ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF DEHRA DUN CLUB

In reference to the Notice published in English Newspaper Hindustan Times dated 19.03.2024 and in Hindi Newspaper Hindustan dated 19.03.2024 for Extraordinary General Meeting of Dehra Dun Club scheduled to be held on 12.04.2024 at 05:00 PM in respect of which a comprehensive notice, explanatory statement, and information regarding electronic and physical voting were dispatched to all members via email dated March 18th, 2024.

Despite all efforts made by the Management Committee and the Club's secretarial consultants, it has come to our attention that certain additional amendments are required in the Articles of Association of the Club.

Therefore, following the advice received by the Committee, the proposed EOGM slated for April 12th, 2024, is hereby canceled due to the further amendments required in the company's Articles of Association. The Company will consider convening a fresh Extraordinary General Meeting following the due process of law, in compliance with the guidelines and procedures prescribed by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.

The aforesaid decision to cancel the EOGM scheduled for 12.04.2024 and convene a fresh EOGM has been unanimously taken by the Managing Committee Members in their meeting on 29.03.2024.

Sincerely,
The Management Committee
Dehra Dun Club, Dehradun.

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6 held for human trafficking: Police

HALDWANI: A joint team of police and anti-human trafficking unit raided a spa in Haldwani on Saturday night and arrested three men and three Nepalese women, said police. A first information report (FIR) has been registered against all the accused on charges of human trafficking, police said. In-charge of Haldwani police station Umesh Malik said: "The joint team of AHTU and police arrested three women and three men from the spot. The spa was sealed in the presence of the magistrate." Malik further said, "The operator of the spa center Fazil is absconding. Efforts are being made to arrest him."

4 killed after vehicle falls into Tehri gorge

DEHRADUN: Four people were killed in Tehri Garhwal district on Sunday when the vehicle they were travelling in fell into a 150-metre-deep gorge, said State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) officials. SDRF Media in-charge said Pramod Patwal said a car fell into a 150-metre gorge near Duwakoti after the driver lost control of the vehicle. "Four people were killed in the accident and 13 people were injured," he said. He said those died who in the accident include Dharamvir Aswal (46), Ritika Singh (20) and Jagveer Singh (42). He further said that the fourth person Gautam (20) died later during treatment.