

UT police to build memorials for cops killed in the line of duty

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CHANDIGARH: The UT police are all set to build memorials in schools dedicated to policemen killed in the line of duty in recent years.

This is part of a Central government initiative to honour the sacrifices made by policemen, and inspire the younger generation.

As of now, the Chandigarh police are planning to build six monuments, five in Punjab and one in Himachal Pradesh. Metal busts of the slain men will be installed in their schools with plaques highlighting their supreme sacrifice.

UT policemen from Punjab who were killed on duty include inspectors Sucha Singh and Jagjit Singh, sub inspector (SI) Amarjit Singh, assistant sub inspectors (ASI) Amarjit Singh and Lalu Ram. ASI Amin Chand belonged to Himachal Pradesh.

A senior UT police official said a reminder was sent to Punjab education secretary

Krishan Kumar today, seeking permission to raise the memorials in the schools of the martyred policemen. A letter in this regard was sent to him some weeks ago.

The expenditure for the memorials will be borne by the UT police.

Inspector Sucha Singh, an alumnus of the Government School in Mullanpur, Mohali, was stabbed to death by a criminal on June 8, 2013, when he was on night duty near the Sector 43 bus stand.

Amin Chand of Panial village in Kangra district, who studied at the Government School in Lunj, was killed in a bomb blast while accompanying the then senior superintendent of police (SSP) Sumedh Singh Saini on August 29, 1991. ASI Lalu Ram was also killed in the same blast. Inspector Jagjit Singh, who studied at the Government High School in Abohar and Government College, Sector 11, Chandigarh, was killed in a terrorist attack on the intervening night of July 16 and 17 in 1988.

ASI Amarjit Singh, an

alumnus of Khasla college in Garhdiwala, Hoshiarpur, was shot in the line of duty on December 8, 1989. Happy with the news, his widow, Sukhwinder Kaur said, "If it materialises it will give him his rightful place after 28 years in the police force. People, especially from his native place, can remember his sacrifice and can draw inspiration from it." Sukhwinder has two daughters who are married and a son who is settled abroad.

Amin Chand's son, inspector Narinder Patial, now posted in a special operational cell, said: "It's a great initiative by the police authorities and the government. It will inspire the youth to contribute to the society and make sacrifices for their country. Moreover, putting up the memorials in schools will inculcate in children the desire to give back to society." The memorials, said Chandigarh director general of police Tajender Singh Luthra, "will be a symbol of inspiration for schoolchildren."

DNA sample of second accused matches with swabs taken from victim's clothes

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THE DNA report has confirmed that the accused Kamal Hassan, cousin of accused Irfan Mohammad, had also allegedly raped the call centre employee in December 2016.

Chandigarh Police has received the DNA report of Kamal Hassan which matches with the swabs taken from the clothes of the victim. Kamal was arrested from his house at Kalandar Colony, Shahdara, Delhi, on

March 14. He was arrested after Irfan spilled the beans on him during interrogation.

Soon after Kamal's arrest and the Test Identification Parade (TIP), the samples were sent for DNA sampling to the Central Forensic Science Laboratory on March 17. Police sources said a report regarding the DNA samples of the accused arrived on Thursday. The DNA report is positive and matches with the swabs taken from the victim's clothes.

The DNA samples of the accused Irfan have already matched with the swabs taken

from the clothes of the call centre employee. The police will now attach the DNA report of both the accused to the chargesheet against the duo, which is yet to be filed in court.

The victim has also identified the duo, Irfan and Kamal in the TIP at Burail Jail while in her statement, she recorded before the magistrate under Section 164 CrPC, the victim has identified both Irfan and Kamal.

The victim woman, a call centre employee, was allegedly raped by two persons in a secluded area behind Iron Market,

Sector 29, in December 2016. Although Irfan and Kamal were arrested in the case for allegedly raping a woman from Dehradun in November 2017, during their interrogation, they confessed to having raped another woman in December 2016 as well. Following which, Irfan and Kamal were arrested.

Meanwhile, another accused in the case, Wasim Malik, who is out on bail, is waiting for the cancellation of case proceedings against him in court. The hearing of the case is scheduled for May 21.



Gurdaspur couple held for burglaries

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A COUPLE from Gurdaspur, Pankaj Kumar and his wife RP, was arrested by the Crime Branch of Chandigarh Police on Thursday for committing four house burglaries in the city. The couple was remanded in two days' police custody on Thursday.

Police sources said RP's maternal house is in Bapu Dham Colony in Sector 26 and she married Pankaj three years ago. Sources further said that whenever the couple visited Chandigarh, they randomly committed burglaries, including houses at Sector 26, Sector 7 and Sector 37. The couple

was arrested after a CCTV footage caught them leaving a house after committing burglary.

Police said a partial recovery of valuables, including jewellery, was made from the possession of the accused couple. Information about the couple's arrest was also sent to Gurdaspur police.

Meanwhile, the Crime Branch of Chandigarh Police has also arrested three snatchers and solved three cases of vehicle theft and nine cases of snatching. The arrested snatchers were identified as Yadram of Dhanas, Sanjay and Deepak of Maloya. They were arrested following a tip-off. Sources said the three snatchers were active in Maloya, Dadumajra, Sector 39 and Sector 38.



फर्जी नंबर लगी स्कूटी के साथ एक गिरफ्तार

चंडीगढ़। सेक्टर-39 के वाटर सप्लाई ऑफिस के पास से पुलिस ने एक व्यक्ति को फर्जी नंबर लगी स्कूटी के साथ गिरफ्तार किया। आरोपी की पहचान मोहाली के जुझार नगर की गली नंबर-21 निवासी विनोद भाटिया के रूप में हुई है। सेक्टर-39 थाना पुलिस ने उसके खिलाफ केस दर्ज कर पूछताछ की तो आरोपी विनोद ने बताया कि वह सेक्टर-10 स्थित आर्ट्स कॉलेज में कैंटीन चलाता है। उसने बताया कि कुछ

दिन पहले उसके भाई ने उक्त स्कूटी खरीदकर बाहर से चंडीगढ़ उसके पास भेजी थी। भाई ने स्कूटी का रजिस्टर्ड नंबर उसे फोन पर नोट कराया था लेकिन नंबर सुनने में गलती के चलते प्लेट पर गलत नंबर लिखा लिया गया। पीसीआर पुलिस को आरोपी से बरामद स्कूटी पर फर्जी नंबर (एचपी-72-7476) लगा मिला। पुलिस ने आरोपी को गिरफ्तार कर पूछताछ के बाद जमानत पर छोड़ा। ब्यूरो