

Fake snatching callers to face six months imprisonment

- TROUBLED WITH THE FAKE SNATCHING PLAINTS, THE UT POLICE HAS INITIATED THE PROCESS OF BOOKING FAKE CALLERS UNDER SECTION 182 OF IPC OR UNDER SECTION 66(3) OF THE PUNJAB POLICE ACT. AS PER RECORDS, SINCE JULY 1 LAST YEAR, THE CHANDIGARH POLICE CONTROL ROOM HAS RECEIVED 21 FAKE SUCH CALLS.

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To tighten a noose around the fake callers making fake snatching calls at the Police Control Room (PCR), the Chandigarh police have now initiated

the process of booking such informants under section 182 of IPC or under section 66(3) of the Punjab police act.

Confirming the same UT SSP Nilambari Vijay Jagdale said, "Fake snatching complaints has sent the cops in a tizzy. As per our records since July 1 last year, 21 such calls have been made at the Police control room."

She further stated that as per the law, such informants will be booked under section 182 of IPC or under section 66(3) of the Punjab police act, making the informant to face up to six months of imprisonment and fine.

"As the steps taken by the Chandigarh police has commendably resulted in dropping down the snatching rate in the city, so now even in mutual conflict or small brawl cases, many makes snatching calls as in snatching cases DSP and SHO reach at the spot" Jagdale said.

Section 182 of IPC deals with false information with intent to cause public servant to use his lawful power to the injury of another person and the punishment for the offence.

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Gold 'duped' from jeweller seized

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CHANDIGARH POLICE recovered around 70 grams gold jewellery, which was deposited in a finance company by a woman accused of cheating three jewellers.

According to police, Jaspreet Kaur, along with another woman, used to target the ornament shops in Chandigarh, Punjab and Himachal Pradesh. "They usually moved in good attires to give an impression that they are from a well-off family. After selecting ornaments, she use to say that she will pay by cheque. If the shopkeepers refused, she used to ask them to sent the ornaments to her house where she can make the payment. There also she would give an excuse that she does not have

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money, following which the shopkeepers would have to accept the cheques," a policeman said, explaining her modus operandi.

Thereafter, when the shopkeepers presented the cheques in banks, the same would get dishonored. When they asked for the payment, the women threatened them to implicate them in false cases of rape and molestation, a release by UT police said. One such case was registered at Sector 17 police station on the complaint

of Akhil Jain, owner of Nikka Mal Babu Ram Jeweller in Chandigarh. He accused Jaspreet and her associate Balbir Kaur of cheating him and threatening his associates. Both had allegedly purchased gold worth Rs 3,21,000 and gave cheques, which bounced.

On January 4, the accused were arrested and a few gold ornaments were recovered from their possession during their two-day police remand.

"On Monday, their police remand was extended by another day and we recovered approx 70 gram gold jewellery, which was deposited with Muthoot Finance at Kharar. Jaspreet had taken Rs 1,51,000 cash from them against the jewellery items. She has already spent the said amount. The complainant has also identified the said jewellery. Further investigation in on," the release further specified.

