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NO CASUALTIES

Road cave-in creates 20-foot crater during wedding dinner in Surat

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A CAVE-IN near a wedding venue in the Shahpore area of Surat's Walled City late Wednesday night forced many to flee and narrowly avoiding casualties. A pandal pole and several chairs collapsed into the sunken section of the road, disrupting the wedding dinner.

Officials of the Surat Fire Department, Surat Municipal Corporation (SMC), and Surat Metro Rail Network reached the scene after learning of the incident, cordoned off the road, and began repair work.

Sources said that an underground road tunnel was being dug in the area, which may have led to the cave-in on the main road.

"Surat Metro train underground tunnel passes from the portion where the cave-in on the main road took place. Due to technical issues, the incident occurred and was repaired until early morning," said Sujal Prajapati, Executive Engineer (Central) SMC.

"There was a gas leak in the pipeline supply network caused by a cave-in, which was repaired immediately. After

getting an NOC from the Metro Rail, officials will later allow people to use the road on Thursday afternoon," he said.

According to sources, a wedding feast for the Khan family was underway in Machhindra when parts of the main road suddenly gave way. The cave-in created a crater approximately 15 feet long, 20 feet wide, and 20 feet deep, close to where food was being served to guests. Guests who were dining at the pandal moved to safety. Due to the cave-in, a pandal pole and multiple chairs fell into the pit. The dinner was abruptly halted, and attendees left the venue, leaving behind members of the bride's and groom's families.

The wedding ceremony was being held for the younger brother of Nadim Khan, who said the nikah ceremony had concluded, and guests were having dinner when the incident occurred.

"We had finished the 'nikah' ceremony and were having dinner with attendees. No one was injured, but some chairs and a pole from the pandal went into the cave. The guest left the event without eating," he said.

Aditi Raja
Vadodara, January 22

A 23-YEAR-OLD man of Gujarat origin, settled in South Boston in the United States, has pleaded guilty to participating in a crime to defraud a 75-year-old man from Berkshire County of Massachusetts out of approximately \$500,000 by posing as a law enforcement officer in a wire fraud—a form of cyber-crime similar to "digital arrests" but involving telecommunications instead of virtual custody.

Urvishkumar Vipulkumar Patel pleaded guilty to "one count of conspiracy to commit wire fraud" (using telecommunication), which involved scamming an elderly couple in the US by telling them to make a cash deposit and allegedly identified himself as "Serge Wilson" and told the elderly man that he was involved in money laundering and directed him to obey "instructions."

As per a statement from the

office of the US attorney of the district of Massachusetts, I. B. Foley, Patel was arrested and charged by criminal complaint on October 7, 2024, and indicted by a federal grand jury in November 2024. US District Court Judge Mark G. Matschinski has scheduled sentencing for April 2025.

As per the statement of the attorney, "In early 2024, an elderly Berkshire County resident received a pop-up message on his computer claiming that his computer was frozen and directing him to call the number provided on the computer screen purportedly associated with Microsoft. The victim's call was routed to an individual who identified himself as a federal law enforcement officer and told the victim that he was involved in money laundering and referred to himself as Sam Wilson, Wilson told the victim that he was involved in a money laundering scheme and instructed the victim to take out the cash from his bank

accounts and send the money to the Treasury Department for safekeeping."

Courier's set to collect boxes of cash

Patel, posing as Wilson, then "directed the victim to place the cash in a travel box with the victim's name, and to mail the box to him on [an] address written on it." Wilson then allegedly sent couriers to the victim's home to collect the boxes of cash. "Prior to each collection, Wilson had the victim describe the clothes he was wearing and provided the victim with a 'PIN' passcode the couriers were to use to unlock his computer," as per the release of the attorney.

As per details of the case, "On or about October 7, 2024, Patel drove from South Boston to North Adams, Massachusetts, to meet with the elderly residents at the Banchi police headquarters on Thursday morning.

The incident occurred when Ravrajishin Jadeja, a native of Kutch district, was

participating in the physical test held at the Banchi police headquarters.

The charge of conspiracy to commit wire fraud provides for a sentence of up to 20 years in prison, up to three years of supervised release, and a fine of up to \$250,000. Sentences are imposed by the court and a court judge based upon the US Sentencing Guidelines and statutes that govern the determination of a sentence in a criminal case. In December last year, a 38-year-old Indian national of Gujarat origin, Lingeshankumar Patel, was sentenced to 90 months (7.5 years) in federal prison after he pleaded guilty to the charges about his involvement in an impostor scheme to defraud 11 elderly residents of the Banchi police headquarters on Thursday morning.

The incident occurred when Ravrajishin Jadeja, a native of Kutch district, was

participating in the physical test held at the Banchi police headquarters.

According to officers of the Banchi district police, Jadeja had completed his five-kilometre run and was cooling down when he started showing visible signs of uneasiness. He attempted to recover but soon complained of discomfort and

The police said that this was Jadeja's second attempt at the police recruitment process, as he had narrowly missed clearing the physical test the previous year. Jadeja's father, Mahendrasinh, is an Assistant Sub Inspector serving in the State Reserve Police in Vadodara and was present at the scene when the incident occurred.

Surat Municipal Commissioner among two senior IAS officers transferred

M Nagarajan has been posted as the new municipal commissioner of Surat

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THE GUJARAT government Thursday transferred two IAS officer, including Surat Municipal Commissioner Shalinji Agarwal.

Agarwal, a 2005 batch IAS-of-

ficer, has been transferred and posted as Managing Director of Gujarat Ujjwal Vigas Nikam Limited, Vadodara, replacing Jeni Devan (IAS 2006 batch), who had additional charge.

M Nagarajan (IAS 2006 batch), Vice Chairman & Managing Director of Gujarat State

Road Transport Corporation (GSRTC), Ahmedabad, has been transferred and posted as Municipal commissioner of Surat.

Nagarajan was the Deputy Municipal Commissioner of Surat from May 2015 to April 2018.

During his tenure, he was

leading the Surat Smart City

Mission as CEO of Surat Smart City Development, an SPV.

Rajender Kumar (IAS officer of the 2004 batch), who is presently the Commissioner of Transport, Gandhinagar, will hold additional charge of the post of Vice Chairman & Managing Director of GSRTC.

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