Press Report No.:1

#### **ROAD ACCIDENT**

# 5 DIED AND 26 INJURED AS TRUCK HIT SCHOOL BUS IN AHMEDABAD.

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At least 5 students died and several others suffered severe injuries when a school bus was hit by over speeding truck near Galaxy Cross Roads in Ahmedabad on Tuesday morning. School bus was carrying the students belong to Delhi Public School in Bopal of Ahmedabad was met with an accident. The mishap occurred near Hyundai Showroom at 7:10am on Thursday morning when the school bus was passing through Crossing and heading towards Bopal.

#### Cause of Accident:

The Truck driver was driving the truck recklessly as he was drunk .Moreover, there was Dense Fog so this resulted into the accident. The overloaded Truck No.GJ-07-4387 rammed into the unfortunate school bus with sudden explosion. The bus toppled over and the impact of the collision was so severe that the truck dragged the bus for about some metre away with it. The Cleaner of truck was reported dead in the accident and the death toll might increase as several more students suffered critical injuries. Eye witness blame Truck driver Mr.Surendra Saini(Aged 45) and also demanded need for speed braker near the cross roads to stop the mishap, but grieving parents found fault with the School bus driver for over speeding."It all happened in no time. Even before we realized what had happened, it was all over. Pieces of flesh and blood were strewn all around. The bus was mangled beyond recognition. It was a very sad sight".said a teacher, who was present at the accident spot, told media persons.

#### **Hospital Scenes:**

Residents called up 108 and soon after injured students were taken to nearby hospitals. There were screams and traumatic scenes all around .Parents became angry towards Driver of Truck who was injured and getting treatment in the same hospital.

#### **Touchy Scene:**

A mother, who lost her child in the terrible tragedy, said the bus left her house only ten minutes earlier. "It was the last goodbye to my child," she said amidst tears while recalling the "tata" of her son.

#### Condolence & Inquiry:

Chief Minister of the state expressed deep shock over the incident. A probe by Retired Judge has been ordered to assess the cause of accident. Transport Minister too expressed grief over the loss of lives and asked officials to tighten safety norms for transportation.

### **Ex Gratia Payment:**

Transport Minister announced an ex-gratia Rs.Two lakh to the kin& Kith of who died in the accident and Rs.Fifty thousand to those who are critically injured in the mishap.

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Andaman sea ferry tragedy:21 killed:2 Passengers are missing.

**PortBlair** 

### Ridhdhi Vaghela I DNA

January 27, 2022

At least 21 persons were killed after an overcrowded tourist boat capsized (sank) in the Andaman Sea near Port Blair in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands on Sunday. Sources claim that the boat did not have enough life-jackets for all the passengers. "Two passengers were missing and 23 persons were rescued(saved)." Official said.

### **Cause of Accident:**

"The boat sank on its way from Ross Island to the North Bay around 4pm", said P Johar, deputy commissioner of South Andaman district. Sources in the district administration said the boat had a capacity to carry 25 people. It was carrying 46 people comprising tourists from Kanchipuram district of Tamil Nadu and Mumbai of Maharashtra as well as crew members.

Three ferry operators were detained in connection with ferry tragedy. Boats capsize incidents take a big toll on India every year, raising questions over security measures while bringing to forefront non-compliance with guidelines.

## **Rescue & Relief Operations:**

The civil administration and defense establishments like the Coast Guard carried out the rescue operations on Sunday. Efforts were on to trace(find) the whereabouts of the two missing, the sources said.

"PM has expressed shock over the boat tragedy in the Andamans and has condoled the loss of lives," a statement issued by the PM's Office said. PM said he had asked India's national agencies to carry out the rescue and relief operation.

Tamil Nadu CM ordered officials to take necessary action for providing relief to the survivors. In a statement issued in Chennai, the CM said senior state govt. officials have been ordered to reach immediately Port Blair to provide medical relief to those who have been rescued and taken to hospital in Port Blair.

"There were three children on board,unfortunately One child is dead," local deputy commissioner P. Jawahar was quoted. Out of the total 46 passengers, 33 were from Kanchipuram district of Chennai, she said that orders have been issued to bring the bodies in Chennai at the state government's cost. The rescued persons were admitted to GB Pant Hospital in Port Blair. The bodies were also taken there for post-mortem, the sources added.

#### Ex-gratia payment:

Tamilnadu, CM also ordered the release of Rs. one lakh as solatium for the families for each of the dead. LG of the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lt Gen (Retd) AK Singh, announced an exgratia payment of Rs. one lakh each to the families of the victims. Singh also spoke to Union home minister and briefed him on the rescue operations, which he ordered after the accident.

### **Inquiry**:

The additional district magistrate of South Andaman was directed to conduct a magisterial inquiry into the ferry capsized accident.

**Helpline numbers:** 

A & N 10700319 240127/230178/238881. The GB Pant Hospital: 03192-230629/9933274092.

**Press Report No.:3** 

**PLANE CRASH** 

Jet Airways Plane With 58 On Board Crashes In Ahmedabad; 40 Killed

By Press Reporter Ahmedabad.

**February 4, 2022** 

A Jet Airways flight carrying 58 people turned on its side in midair, clipped an elevated roadway and careened into a shallow river today shortly after taking off from Ahmedabad, killing at least 40 people and leaving 18 missing, officials and media reports said.

### **Accident Spot:**

More than half of the passengers on aboard of Jet Airways Flight GE235 were from North India and the death toll was expected to rise as rescue crews cleared the mostly submerged fuselage in the Sabarmati River. Teams in rubber rafts clustered around the wreckage, several dozen meters (yards) from the River front.

#### <u>Dramatic video clips:</u>

Mobile clips apparently taken from cars on bridge were posted online and aired by broadcasters, showing the ATR 72 prop-jet as it pivoted onto its side while zooming toward the elevated highway. In one of them, the plane rapidly fills the screen as its now-vertical wing scrapes over the road, hitting a vehicle before heading into the river. It was the airline's second French-Italian-built ATR 72 to crash in the past year. Wednesday's flight had taken off at 11:35 a.m. from Ahmedabad's downtown Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Airport en route to New Delhi. "The pilot issued a mayday call shortly after takeoff," Indian civil aviation authorities said.

#### Unknown Reason:

Jet Airways director Mr. shah said "contact with the plane was lost four minutes after takeoff, but that weather conditions were suitable for flying and the cause of the accident was unknown" "Actually this aircraft in the accident was the newest model. It hadn't been used for even a year," he further added at news conference. However the black box of the plain has been found and truth will be known soon.

#### **Condolence & Inquiry:**

Both Prime Minister of country and Chief Minister of the state expressed deep shock over the incident. Aviation Minister too expressed grief over the loss of lives and asked officials to tighten safety norms for Aviation Sector.A probe has been ordered to assess and investigate the cause of accident.

### Visit:

Prime Minister visited the spot and expressed deep shock over the loss of lives. He announced ex gratia payment of  $\{4,00,000.00\}$  to those who are seriously injured in this plane crash.

**Helpline No:** 

Airport Authority :102 Hospital:1800105123

Press Report No.:4

**RAIL ACCIDENT** 

GUJARAT TRAIN ACCIDENT: 60 DEAD; OVER 90 INJURED AS TRAIN RAMS ANOTHER

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Ahmedabad

A speeding train rear-ended another train at the Nadiad station in Kheda district, 90 kilometres from Ahmedabad. Both trains were bizarrely on the same track. The Railways says the accident was probably caused due to human error. The Gujarat Queen driver most likely overshot a critical signal near the station at around 2 am on Monday. The train hit the Karnavati Express that was pulling out of Platform 4. The Gujarat Queen driver died on the spot. Railway Board Chairman said the driver was experienced and could not have committed such mistake. "We do not know whether the signal was given. Even if the signal was given, the train has to stop at Nadiad," He said.

# **Accident Spot:**

The collision was so severe that the roof and sides of one of the compartments of the Gujarat Queen were slammed onto an overhead bridge for pedestrians. A part of another compartment of the Karnavati Express split and fell on the road along the tracks after being thrown over the bridge.

## Relief & Rescue Operations:

The Army was pressed in rescue operations. Bodies were rescued from the wreckage with equipment like gas cutters and crane. Villagers in the area were the first to try and rescue passengers. Gas cutters were used to take out 32 bodies. Shortage of blood was felt, 175 bottles of blood were rushed by Red cross immediately. Injured passengers were taken to nearby hospitals and dead bodies were kept in morgue after postmortem.

#### Visit:

Railways Minister and CM of Gujarat who inspected the site of the accident and stated that the accident raises suspicion, implying that there may have been some sort of sabotage. "Human life is very important," Railway Minister said.

#### **Politics:**

Railways Minister has been attacked by a series of politicians including Mamta Banerjee former Railways Minister, she said the tragedy proves "carelessness." Akhilesh Yadav former CM of UP raised a point that Railways Minister spends too much time handling the politics in his home state and not enough on managing the Railways. "We are not going to tolerate his playing with hundreds of innocent lives." said Akhilesh Yadav.

## **Investigation:**

The Railways also does not rule out sabotage. I can tell you I am more worried about the fact that most of the train accidents are now involving Mail Express trains only. We have had five cases of sabotage this year." the chairman of the Railway Board said, The railways will investigate all angles and set up inquiry committee. Samir Goswami, CPRO, said a few trains the Saurashtra Express, the Mumbai bound Arnakulam express and the Rajdhani Express were diverted.

### **Exgratia Payment:**

Railway Minister announced an ex-gratia Rupees two lakh to the relatives of those who died and Rupees fifty thousand to those who are critically injured in the Train accident.

**Helpline numbers**:

Ahmedabad: (070) 22818181 Indian Railway: 3101