

Chirag Naik's Hoardings Torn Down in Margao; Rahul Gandhi, Kharge Images Remain

■ Hoardings reportedly targeted under cover of darkness; Naik says his presence cannot be erased from citizens' hearts

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MARGAO: Hoardings carrying the image of Chirag Datta Naik were reportedly torn down in Margao during the night, with the incident drawing attention in the city. According to local accounts, the hoardings appear to have been removed or damaged under the cover of darkness. While Chirag Naik's image was torn away, the images of Congress leaders Rahul Gandhi and Mallikarjun Kharge remained prominently visible on the



structure. Reacting to the incident, Naik remained composed and said the

removal of his image from a hoarding would not diminish his connection

with the people. "You can remove Chirag from hoardings, but you cannot remove Chirag from the hearts of the citizens," he said. The incident has since become a topic of discussion in Margao, with questions being raised over those responsible for the alleged vandalism.

Fast-Track Court Acquits Man In 2020 Rape Case

■ Complainant declines to support prosecution during trial; court finds insufficient evidence to sustain charges

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PANAJI: The North Goa Special Fast-Track Court has acquitted a 19-year-old man who was facing charges of rape and criminal intimidation in connection with a 2020 case, after the complainant did not support the prosecution's version of events during the trial.

The case was registered at Ponda Police Station in July 2020. The prosecution had alleged that the



accused took the complainant to a hotel room in Ponda and other secluded locations on multiple occasions between October 31, 2019, and March 16, 2020, and sexually assaulted her against her will.

It was also alleged that the accused had taken nude photographs



Chief Guest

SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN
Hon'ble Union Minister of
Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare



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In the presence of

SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK
Hon'ble Union Minister of
State for Power

SHRI SADANAND SHET TANAVADE
Hon'ble Member of
Parliament, Rajya Sabha

Presided by

DR. PRAMOD P. SAWANT
Hon'ble
Chief Minister of Goa

Key Highlights

Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare

- Launch of the Goa Fresh Brand
- Felicitation of the winners of Goa Fresh Logo Design and Packaging Solutions competitions
- Launch of the Farmer Producer Organization (FPO) Policy
- Signing of MoU between the National Institute of Hydrology (NIH) and Directorate of Agriculture, Goa
- Distribution of agricultural subsidies

Rural Development & Women Empowerment

- Launch of the Start-up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP)
- Felicitation of Lakhpati Didis
- Financial Assistance through Bank Loan to Self Help Groups
- Seed Capital support to Food Enterprises under PM-FME scheme
- Sanction orders for Pink Electric Rickshaws to SHG members
- Financial support for Integrated Farming Clusters

Empowering Farmers & Rural Communities

- Distribution of petrol-operated water pumps to farmers
- Distribution of medicine and mineral mixture kits to dairy farmers
- Felicitation of Swayampurna Mitras and Village Panchayats
- Recognition of outstanding contributions to rural development



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