

Man, who raped minor in Mum, arrested in Varanasi

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Varanasi: In a joint action of UPSTF and crime branch of Mumbai police, rape accused Vishal Kanojia of Mirzapur was arrested from Varanasi on Saturday. Kanojia had been absconding after raping a 9-year-old girl in Mira Bhayandar Vasai Virar police station area in Mumbai on November 14. According to STF, he was caught on the road leading to platform-9 of Varanasi junction under cantonment police limits here on Saturday morning. A mobile phone has been recovered from him. During investigation, it was discovered that Kanojia, a native of Baripur Bareni village in Kachhwa of Mirzapur district, was living in Mumbai with his father and brother. On November 14, he found a 9-year-old girl at a lonely place and raped her. Post committing the crime, Kanojia had been taking shelter at different places in Mirzapur and Varanasi. Acting on a tip-off, Mumbai cops contacted STF, after which he was arrested. Latee, the cops started process to take him to Mumbai on transit remand. TNNWe also published the following articles recently2 arrested for raping college student in Mumbai flatTwo men arrested for allegedly spiking a 19-year-old college students drink and raping her at a flat in Chembur. Investigators produced the men before a court, which remanded them in police custody till Monday. The police took

the woman for a medical examination and sent the soft drink for a forensic examination. The reports for both examinations are awaited, as confirmed by a senior police officer.61% of Mumbais rape cases filed in 5 years are of minorsAccording to a report by NGO Praja Foundation, 61% of rape cases registered in Mumbai from 2018 to 2022 were under the POCSO Act. Out of 3,360 POCSO Act cases in 2022, 73% were pending investigation. Activists call for better resources, including special courts, judges, and trained officers. Priti Patkar, a child and women rights activist, emphasizes the need for victim support and child-safe systems. The CEO of Praja Foundation, Milind Mhaske, suggests a multi-stakeholder approach to prevent child sexual abuse. Additionally, there is a shortage of police officers involved in crime investigation and personnel at the state forensic science laboratory in Kalina.27-year-old raped on marriage lure in ChunabhattiA 27-year-old beautician in Chunabhatti was allegedly raped multiple times by a man named Saurabh on the pretext of marriage. The woman filed a complaint after Saurabh refused to marry her despite their close relationship. Both families were aware of their relationship, but the marriage did not materialize. The accused is currently at large, but the police are conducting investigations to apprehend him soon.

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