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None to take care of the city's caretakers

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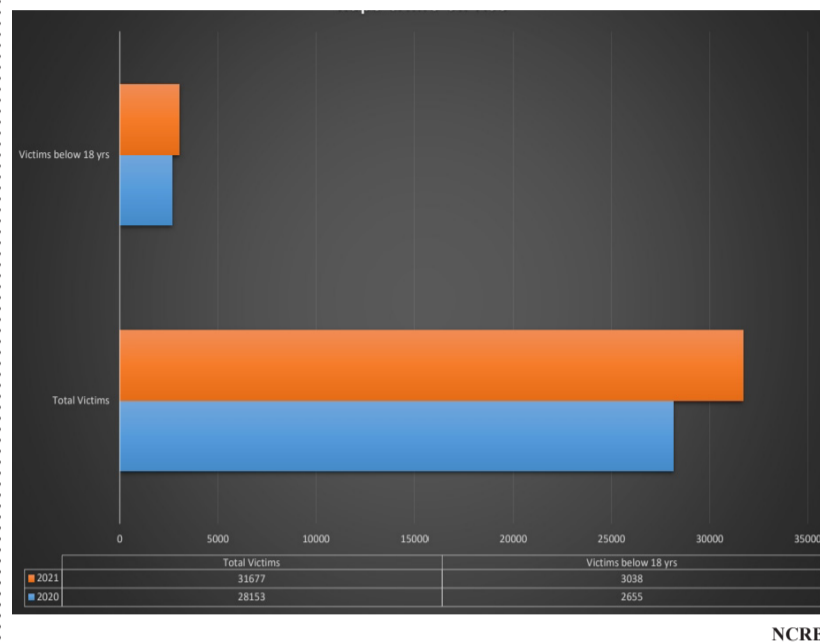
A complaint from the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Pourakarmikara Sangha, has been submitted to the chief commissioner and the Joint Commissioner of BBMP, on Tuesday, demanding immediate action to be taken for the provision of homes and temporary shelters.

The heavy rainfall from Monday evening to early Tuesday near Brookfield, BBMP Ward No. 85, submerged more than 120 tents in the Pourakarmikara colony, leaving the children, elderly and women to take shelter in the nearby temple. The water started entering the colony from the primary water canal in the middle of the night and the labourers and their families could not save any of their belongings.

Due to heavy rain that had poured in the past weeks along with the water released from the close by apartments, the canal was filled with excess water and thus started flooding.

The people have been sheltering in the colony for decades, but still, they do not have any proper basic amenities like toilets, drinking water facilities, electricity connections, drainage systems and roads and are living in an unhygienic environment. Their houses were built from tin sheds and tents with tarpaulins. Though they have complained about all the issues several times, no action was taken.

NCRB 2021: Girl child rape victims on the rise



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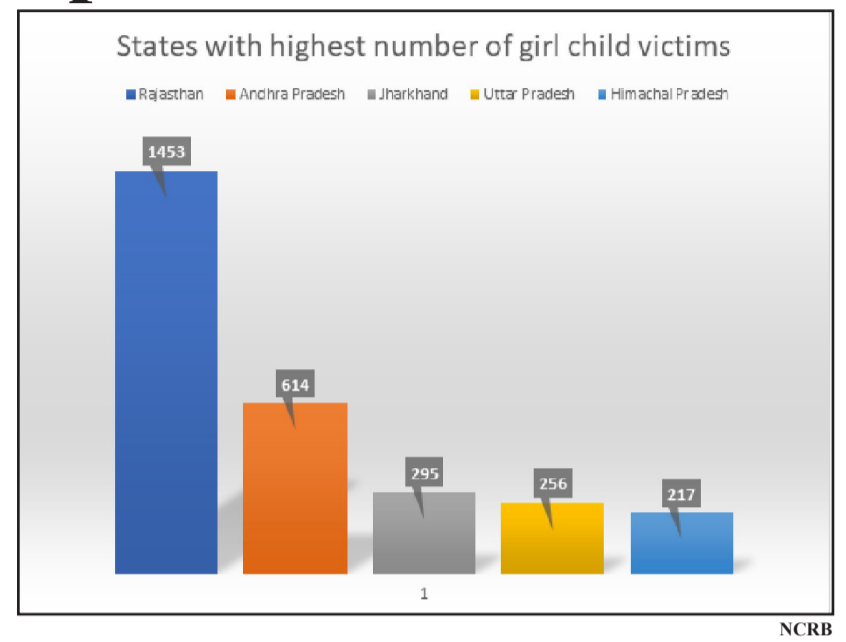
There is a rise in the number of incidences of rape on women of all age groups revealed latest NCRB 2021 report.

According to the 2020 report, the total number of victims including women and girl children was 28153, out

of which the cases involving girl child victims were 2655. Whereas according to the 2021 report, the total number of rape victims has risen to 31878, out of which 9.5%, 3038 victims are children. Rajasthan stands at the first position with 1453 girl child rape victims, followed by

Andhra Pradesh with 614 girl child victims and Jharkhand with 295 girl child victims.

"The impact of sexual abuse is different for different age groups children. The younger the child, deeper the impact will be. The trauma might affect their academic, emotional and mental state. The



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things associated with their abuse experience might be the trigger for their anxiety and anger. In these instances, the child has to be treated, if not it might lead to adverse effects on the behaviour," said Gayatri Swaminathan, a child psychologist.

She further added that these

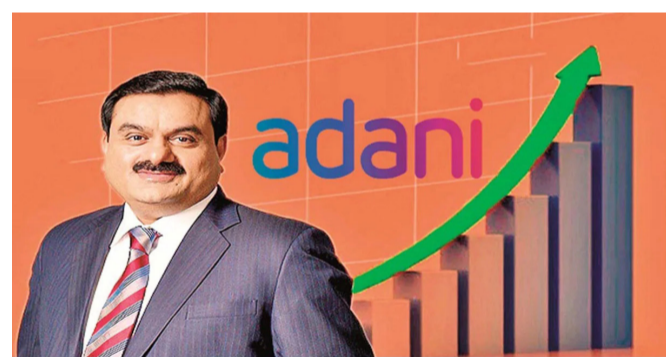
days children are more prone to vulnerabilities due to easy access to the internet where personal data is shared and many children have experienced cyber abuse. The reporting of such instances have increased which in turn has helped in support of the victim.

Adani, the new face of the Indian economy

Moksha Garg

According to a recent ranking of the Bloomberg Billionaires Index, Gautam Adani has become the world's third richest man after Elon Musk and Jeff Bezos. This is the first time an Asian has made it to the list of the top three wealthiest people in the world.

Coming from a family of textile traders, Adani grew up in the Ratanpole area of Ahmedabad. He started his career as an entrepreneur by making plastic moulds out of granules. In 1988, he set up Adani Enterprises to import and export commodities, which has since grown and



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become one of the world's largest conglomerates. The Adani group today owns India's largest airport operator, coal trader, and city-gas distributor.

Adani's net worth, which is currently estimated to be

\$137.4 billion, was boosted by a jump in the market capitalisation of his companies in the last two years. Since the start of this year, Adani has added \$60.9 billion to his fortune, which is five times more than anyone else. He overtook

Mukesh Ambani in February and became a centibillionaire (people whose net worth is \$100 billion or above).

"Adani's empire has expanded to be one of the world's largest conglomerates. It has boosted the sector but there are some concerns about its rapid growth in the market. There were talks circulating with regard to their shareholder structure and shortage in analyst coverage. There was also a report that mentioned that Adani group is in huge debt against its equity and operating cash flows," commented Srishti Bhardwaj, a business analyst.

Chaturthi witnesses minimal toxicity

Arushi Srivastava

The celebration of Ganesha Chaturthi through eco-friendly materials such as clay, rice flour, and plant seeds is reflective of the public's desire to for a cleaner and greener environment, say environmental experts and residents of the city.

Speaking about the change, Dr Vijay Nishanth, an environmentalist said, "There's a huge shift in the mindset of the people when it comes to Indian festivals; the public is always ready for the change when it's for the benefit of the environment. Toxic chemicals are found less in the lakes when compared to the past, and the schools organising programs such as clay

Food as viewed from a diverse lens

Gabriella Symss

Filmmaker Purandar Chaudhuri keeps food the central thread that he uses to explore the larger setting of life in Bengaluru, in his film 'Life in a Bowl'. The film was screened at Bangalore International Centre wednesday with the director sitting down to an interactive session with the audience after.

The film intersperses some of the more well-known sites and images of the city with smaller nooks and quieter moments. With a run time

of 52 minutes, 'Life in a Bowl' visits iconic Bengaluru eating spots like Koshy's and Ranganna Military Hotel. It also takes you into the homes of everyday families who keep generational recipes alive. Gojju avalakki and grandmother's onion chutney are eaten while discussing multi-restaurant culture in the city, Korean food, and the eating habits of the young.

The film does all this while telling the stories of Bengaluru citizens like Giridhar N, an engineer, and photog-

rapher who lost his eyesight and speaks on inclusivity. Deepthi Bopaiah, Chief Executive Officer of GoSports Foundation, speaks about supporting athletes for the Olympics. Stories of culture, history, and change are looked at in topics that range from theatre culture to the marriage of food and technology. As Chaudhuri says, he aimed to explore food alongside a variety of aspects that made up many parts of the city. "There is a tangibility of food but there's also the intangible part. It's about

Indian Navy turns self-reliant

Dolkar Choezom

The commissioning of Indigenous aircraft carriers, a momentous day for the nation and Indian Navy, is all set to be a reality as it is scheduled to be inaugurated by PM Modi on September 2 in Mangalore. He will also lay the foundation stone of projects worth around Rs. 3800 crores.

Navy officer, Lieutenant Commander Arjun M speaking to The Beacon said, "The initiative would boost the power that the army possesses and they would en-

ter into a group of selected nations. The ship that has been built is the strongest."

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