

# Ugandan arrested after 17-year overstay, to be deported

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**Bengaluru:** The city police initiated the deportation process of a Ugandan national who had been illegally staying in India for almost 17 years. As per the police, the foreigner was also involved in various illegal activities, including supplying fake passports and visas to foreign nationals.

The accused has been identified as **Bosco Kaweesi**. A preliminary investigation by the city police revealed that he had been working as a legal advisor to the African Students' Association in the city.

Speaking to News Trail, Bengaluru Police Commissioner CH Pratap Reddy said

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that there are many instances where foreign nationals who come to Bengaluru by procuring student or business visas have been detained or deported back to their country. "The city police, on a special drive to identify such people, found Bosco had been staying in the city illegally for almost 17 years," he said.

Bosco Kaweesi came to India in 1995 after obtaining a student visa. He overstayed despite several notices having been sent



to him to leave the country after his visa expired in 2005.

According to police, Bosco married an Indian woman and later approached the High Court seeking permission to settle in the country. However, his application was rejected in 2022 after a brief inquiry.

On July 19, the immigration authorities from New Delhi took Bosco into custody and interrogated him on the basis of the information submitted by the Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO) to the

**Top cop cautions house owners**

In a warning to all house owners in Bengaluru regarding renting spaces to foreigners, Bengaluru Police Commissioner **CH Pratap Reddy** said, "Whoever is legally staying for education, business or medical, with all the valid documents, there is no problem in renting. However, many people are staying without valid documents. In such cases, the house owners can be booked under the foreigners' act and under various sections of the Indian Penal Code," he said.



Union Ministry.

The Bengaluru Police Commissioner also said that the Banaswadi police seized 26 fake passports from Bosco's place.

## Time to act, BBMP!

Civic body could do itself, city dwellers a favour by implementing Biocon chief's idea

NT Correspondent

**Bengaluru:** A video tweet by renowned industrialist Kiran Mazumdar Shaw has caught the attention of Twitterati, who, in turn, want the city's authorities to take note.



The technology would cover cracks and potholes and make them waterproof in all weather conditions. (Screen-grab of Twitter video)

The chief of Biocon shared a video of a technology that could potentially help Bengaluru deal with its pothole problems. Rakesh Singh, the BBMP Administrator, and Additional Chief Secretary (Urban Development Department) said, "Interesting technology for rapid road repair."

The product shown in the video is a patented innovation called American Road Patch. The video claimed that the road patch would make potholes waterproof. Made from high-quality asphalt, poly-

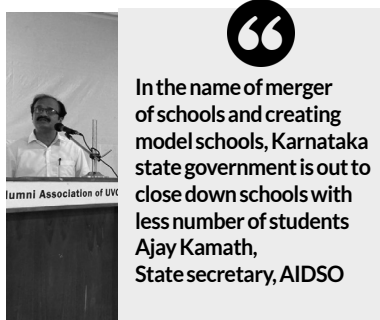
mer and geo-synthetic fiberglass, the road patch is stuck on the road's surface, sealing it with the help of its adhesive. The patch is said to be compatible with both asphalt and concrete road surfaces. The BBMP had reportedly used tar sheets in 2016 on the Richmond Circle flyover and in 2017 on the Madiwala Underpass to improve the durability and longevity of roads.

## '13,800 govt schools will shut, save them'

NT Correspondent

**Bengaluru:** Leftist organisations marked 'Save Public Education Day' in the city on Friday, claiming that as many as 13,800 schools would be closed down as they had less than 25 students each.

The groups claimed that the National Education Policy (NEP) was leaving behind the marginalised in its restructuring. At UVCE Alumni Association hall at KR Circle, All India Democratic Students Organisation (AIDSO) held a protest convention.



Left organisations mark 'Save Public Education Day'

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**In the name of merger of schools and creating model schools, Karnataka state government is out to close down schools with less number of students** Ajay Kamath, State secretary, AIDSO

“Not a single government school should be closed in the state. Students of the state must conduct a mighty struggle to save government schools,” VN Rajashekhar, President, AIDSO said.

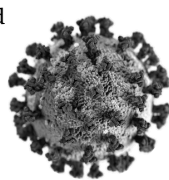
“NEP-2020 offers no solution to the problems plaguing public education system in India. Instead of recommending appointment of teachers and clerks, improving basic infrastructures like school buildings, toilets and drinking water, salary hike for teachers etc, said Rajesh Bhat, District secretary, AISEC.

## 2,130 Covid cases, 4 deaths in State

**Bengaluru:** A total of 2,130 new positive cases of Covid-19 were recorded in Karnataka on Friday. Out of these, 1,615 were reported in Bengaluru.

Four deaths were reported, one each in Bengaluru Urban, Raichur,

Koppal and Kalaburgi districts.



A total of 32,685 tests were conducted in the state, 16,738 of which were within BBMP limits.

Karnataka now has 9,866 active cases with a weekly positivity rate of 5.80%.

## Bengaluru power cuts for this weekend

The Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited will likely do a few scheduled power cuts in the city on July 30 and 31. Some areas might see power cuts between 10 am and 5 pm on Saturday and Sunday.

**Areas that will be affected on July 30**

Ram Nagar Main Road, Industrial Area Surroundings, CMR Road, Hrbr 3rd Block, Karavalli Road, Ramaiah Layout, Ajmallappa Layout And Surrounding Areas, Uttrahali Road, Konchandra Road, Kodipallia, Annurnashwary Layout, Bhel Layout, Krishna Garden, Dubasipally, Midsole Hospital Road, Mallathali Layout, East West College Road, Dwarkabasa Road, Kle College Road, D Group L/o, 1st Block Near Park, Eastern School, Vidyamanya Nagar, Anupama School Road, Munishwara Road, Near Shiva Temple Andrahalli Main Road, Peenya 2 Stage, Andrahalli Main Road, Valmiki Nagar, Navilu Nagar, Saundra Industrial Est, Chakranagar, Andrahalli Govt School, Tg Palya Main Road, Peenya Fine Camp, Jodimunnishwera, Whitefield Main Road, Kondappa Layout, Ayyappanagar 1st To 4th Block, Chikkadevasandra Devesandra Main Road, Medihalli, Kuradur, Sonnanehalli Road, Ujwal Layout, Ajith Layout, Ayyappanagar Main Road, Alpha Garden, Coconut Garden, Bethalnagar, Sai Baba Layout, Gayathri Layout, Vijaya Bank Colony, Basappa Layout, Post Office Layout, Kodigenahalli

**On July 31**

Herohalli, Madhuramma Temple, Nagrahalli Circle, Prasana Layout, Nagrahalli Circle, Darbey, Madheshwara, Herohalli Lake, D Group L/o, 1st Block Near Park, Eastern School, Vidyamanya Nagar, Anupama School Road, Munishwara Road, Near Shiva Temple Andrahalli Main Road, Peenya 2 Stage, Vigneshwara Nagar, Nilgiri Top Road, Omkara Ashram, Anjaneya Temple, Tg Palya Main Road, Peenya Fine Camp, Jodimunnishwera, Nandagokula L/o, Slv Industrial Road, Slv Industry, Tg Palya Road, Annapurneshwari L/o, Whitefield Main Road, Kondappa Layout, Ayyappanagar 1st To 4th Block, Chikkadevasandra Devesandra Main Road, Medihalli, Kuradur, Sonnanehalli Road, Ujwal Layout, Ajith Layout, Ayyappanagar Main Road, Alpha Garden, Coconut Garden, Bethalnagar, Sai Baba Layout, Gayathri Layout, Vijaya Bank Colony, Basappa Layout, Post Office Layout, Kodigenahalli



## 2-day vegan affair

**Bengaluru:** It's treat time for all the vegans in the city as the Monsoon Edition of "Namu Recommends Vegan Market," a two-day event, will be held on July 30 and 31 from 12 pm-8 pm at the Bangalore International Centre.

It features over 60 carefully crafted vegan brands offering an A-Z of vegan products, including plant-based and dairy-free cheese, cruelty-free makeup and personal care products, artisanal coffee, hemp products, vegan chocolates and desserts, and sustainable fashion and baby products.

Founded by a well-known entrepreneur and organic food evangelist, Namu Kini. "The market is a celebration of all things vegan and sustainable. We aim to make vegan a household word very soon," she said.

## 'I aim to give quality education to marginalised communities'

NT Correspondent

**Bengaluru:** St Joseph's University appointed **Dr Victor Lobo SJ** as its first vice-chancellor in Karnataka.

On July 2, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), the oldest college in Karnataka managed by the Karnataka Province of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), was formally conferred university status by the GOK.

Speaking to the News Trail, Fr

Dr Victor Lobo, said the institution has accommodated students from across many states in India and 14 other countries.

"To impart quality education to mainly the poor, downtrodden, and marginalised communities is the main aim of justification. We aim at becoming one of the best Jesuit universities in the country and leading the world. The university will ensure high-quality education is accessible to the masses," he added.



## SoMad is back with a bang

NT Correspondent

**Bengaluru:** After some delay, SoMad Weekender is back, albeit with a change of venue. The event at GYLT this weekend will feature over 30 artists, including Raka Ashok, Disco Puppet, JBabe and Paloma among others. There will also be over 15 thrift shops, four dance crews, and games for everyone.

Among some of the highlights will be the mixology workshop where you can learn to make all the best cocktails and for single people, there will be speed dating. Who knows, you might



just meet your soulmate. If you have no plans this weekend, you should definitely check out the SoMad Weekender.

**Where:** Gylt, Hennur  
**When:** July 30-31, 12 pm onwards  
**Tickets:** skillboxes.com



NT Correspondent

**Bengaluru:** **Karunesh Talwar** is one of the most sought-after stand-up acts in the country. He has performed in pretty much every city and on all stages. Karunesh Talwar, describing himself as a comedian after dark, part-time daydreamer, and full-time rebel, is not a fan of gainful employment. Actually, he is not a big fan of any-

thing except the truth through stand-up, and the truth is often painful, so is stand-up.

Armed with a dark sense of humour, he is all set to lighten up your mood this Saturday only at Phoenix Market City, Whitefield.

**Where:** Phoenix Market-city, Whitefield  
**When:** July 30, 7:30 pm  
**Tickets:** bookmyshow.com

# UR Rao: From humble origins to space icon

Muralidhara Khajane

**Bengaluru:** Five years after Udipi Ramachandra Rao (popularly known as UR Rao) exited from the earth and entered the 'space' of Panchabhootas, a valuable volume on him is all set to reach those who love and adore science, especially space science.

The unique biography - *The Life and Times of UR Rao-From Humble Origins to Space Legend* - authored by Prashanth G N will be launched on Saturday. The book is published by **Naaku Tanti Prakashana** of noted filmmaker B Suresh. It is the 25th book from the 16-year-old publishing house.

The author, Prashanth, has been a science journalist for over two decades and worked with various publications such as *The Times of India*, *The Hindu*, *Deccan*



Herald, *International Business Times* and *Talk News Magazine*. He is a three-time Robert Bosch Foundation Fellow.

"The Life and Times of UR Rao" offers a graphic picture of renowned Indian space scientist and chairman of the ISRO, UR Rao, who was instrumental in making India one of the six countries in the world to

run a comprehensive space programme. He had laid the foundation of Indian space along with legends like Dr Homi Bhabha, and Dr Vikram Sarabhai and Dr Satish Dhawan.

What made Prashanth record Rao's personal and professional life? "My interest and fascination for space, satellites and rockets and magnificent contribution of Prof Rao to space. I have had the privilege of watching rocket launches from the control room of India's spaceport at Sriharikota in the company of Prof Rao. He had been instrumental in achieving this position for India, one among only six countries in the world that has the capability to run a comprehensive space programme. He achieved this success with his great sense of engineering,

precision and massive knowledge about space," explains Prashanth.

He embarked on the journey of recording Rao's life sometime in 2016. He used to visit Prof Rao every Saturday to record his story. The interesting part of this book is the anecdotes narrated by Prof Rao and his conversations with those who led the country towards progress, including former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and her son Rajiv Gandhi.

The book will be released by eminent space scientist Dr K Kasturirangan, former chairman, ISRO, Dr M Annadurai, former director of UR Rao Satellite Centre and Dr M Govinda Rao, (brother of Prof. U R Rao) at Bharatiya Vidy Bhavan on July 30 at 7 pm.

### THINGS TO DO IN BENGALURU

#### Theatre workshop

The workshop is open to beginners and practicing artists earn basic skills to understand art of theatre and movement.

**When:** 30 July, 2022 at 9 am

**Where:** URU Brewpark, Bengaluru

**Entry:** Book My Show

#### Wings of melody

Wings of melody is a unique concert that celebrates nature, beauty, and coexistence of birds and birdsong through an ensemble featuring some of the most well-known musicians of the city.

**When:** 30 July, 2022 at 6 pm

**Where:** MLR Convention Centre, J P Nagar, Bengaluru

**Entry:** Book My Show

#### Art of relating

Come with an open mind and explore vulnerable self in non-judgemental space for art of relating, breaking barriers, relationship complexities and to form better bonds with near and dear ones.

**When:** 31 July, 2022 at 3 pm

**Where:** Lahe Lahe, Bengaluru

**Entry:** Book My Show

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#### Clean jokes

Full of hilarious observations and absolutely clean jokes, the show is for anyone and everyone, especially family.

**When:** 26 July to 6 October, 2022

**Where:** Multiple Venues

**Entry:** Book My Show

#### Lecture on drone technology

Digital Transformation Through AI & ML in Mining & Tunnelling" by Cyriac Joseph MD & CEO, Squadrone Infra & Mining Pvt. Ltd.

**When:** 29 July, 2022 at 5-30 pm

**Where:** Institution premises, Ambedkar Veedhi, Bengaluru

**Entry:** Free

#### Painting for kids

Portrait painting workshop for kids that takes them through the art journey.

**When:** 30 July to 27 August, 2022

**Where:** Lahe Lahe, Bengaluru

**Entry:** Book My Show

#### Empowering women

In this workshop you will dive into your sensual bodies through sacred movement, awaken the inner aphrodite and celebrate in your deepest soul essence.

**When:** 31 July, 2022 at 5:30 pm

**Where:** Lahe Lahe, Bengaluru

**Entry:** Book My Show

#### Folk glory live!

Bengaluru's most favourite eclectic folk glory. Catch him live at the newest and the swankiest clubs in the city.

**When:** 29 July, 2022 at 8 pm

**Where:** Gylt, Bengaluru

**Entry:** Book My Show

#### Mums' conference

An event where experts from all walks of life and inspirational mom achievers come together to empower moms. This is your opportunity to join moms from across the city who are like-minded and want to embark on this journey of empowerment and self-discovery.

**When:** 30 July, 2022 at 9 pm

**Where:** Hilton Bengaluru Embassy Manyata Business Park

**Entry:** Book My Show

#### Melody lane

Come witness a spectacular evening filled with original music played by musicians composed by legendary composer RD Burman.

**When:** 29 July, 2022 at 6:30 pm

**Where:** Chowdiah Memorial Hall, Bengaluru

**Entry:** Book My Show

#### Movement workshop

Come, join us to experience the joy and playfulness of movement, a wonderful way to express ourselves. Engage the body in new ways to unwind and relieve stress and also experience something different through dance and movement.

**When:** 30 July, 2022 at 3pm

**Where:** The Circular Square, Bengaluru

**Entry:** Book My Show

#### Tango workshop

Learn the basic moves of tango from the most experienced and graceful dancer shakthi.

**When:** 23 to 31 July, 2022

**Where:** Lahe Lahe, Bengaluru

**Entry:** Book My Show

#### Asia jewels show

Asia Jewels Show, India's most opulent Fine Jewellery Exhibition is all set to rock Bengaluru city, this time in a much bigger way. With more than 1 lakhs new designs from India's best selected jewellery designers from all over India under one roof.

**When:** 29 July, 2022

**Where:** Gayatri Vihar, Jayamahal Palace Ground, Bengaluru

**Entry:** HighApe

#### Music appreciation series concert

Join us to explore immersive intimate soundscapes like sounds of nature, music, human speech and other sounds and get immersed into it.

**When:** 30 July, 2022 at 6:30

**Where:** Kappanna Angala, Bengaluru

**Entry:** Book My Show