

BEIJING: A court in central China said on Friday a Chinese kindergarten teacher who poisoned 25 of her students, killing one, has been executed.

40, was convicted of putting toxic sodium nitrite in porridge served to children at Mengmeng Pre-school Education on March 27, 2019, following an argument with a colleague identified only by the surname Sun over "student management."



'China has penetrated every sector of UK'

The parliamentary panel said that the intelligence threat posed by China is compounded by a "whole-of-state" approach with the use of state and non-state players for spying

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China's size and ambition has enabled it to successfully penetrate every sector of the UK's economy, an influential parliamentary panel has said, warning that Beijing's national imperative continues to become a technological and economic superpower on which other countries are reliant, which represents the "greatest risk" to the UK.

largest state intelligence apparatus in the world - dwarfing the UK's Intelligence Community and presenting a challenge for our agencies to cover," the report notes.

"As a result, our agencies' work has to be targeted on those aspects that are most damaging. However, the problem is compounded by China's 'whole-of-state' approach," it said. "In practice, this means that Chinese state-owned and non-state-owned companies, as well as academic and cultural establishments and ordinary Chinese citizens, are liable to be (willingly or unwillingly) co-opted into espionage and interference operations overseas: much of the impact that China has on national security is overt - through its economic might, its takeovers and mergers, its interaction with Academia and Industry - as opposed to the covert activity carried out by its intelligence officers," it said.

"China's size, ambition and capability have enabled it to successfully penetrate every sector of the UK's economy, and - until the Covid-19 pandemic - Chinese money was readily accepted by HM Government [His Majesty's Government] with few questions asked," it said.

Indonesia remains wary of US-China rivalry



AP / Jakarta (Indonesia)

Indonesian President Joko Widodo and Director of the Office of the Foreign Affairs Commission of the Communist Party of China's Central Committee Wang Yi at ASEAN in Jakarta on Friday

US Secretary of State Antony Blinken met China's top diplomat on Friday to discuss thorny issues as part of efforts to nurture talks on the sidelines of regional diplomatic meetings in Indonesia, whose president called on rival powers to avoid turning the region into a "competition arena".

Blinken stressed the importance of maintaining peace and stability across the Taiwan Strait and raised concerns by Washington and its allies over China's actions in his meeting with Wang Yi, who heads the ruling Communist Party's Central Commission for Foreign Affairs, US officials said. Washington and Beijing remain deeply suspicious of each other's actions and intentions. Blinken and Wang, along with Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov, were attending the Jakarta meetings.

Indian attacked in Aus

The student was on his way to work when he was attacked by assailants chanting "Khalistan Zindabad"

PTI / Melbourne

A 23-year-old Indian student was beaten up with iron rods by Khalistan supporters in Australia for opposing the activities of extremist elements, a media report said on Friday.

The student was on his way to work when he was attacked by assailants chanting "Khalistan Zindabad" in Sydney's western suburb of Merrylands, The Australia Today news portal reported.

"Today, morning at 5.30 am when I was going to work, some 4-5 Khalistan supporters attacked me," the student, who preferred anonymity,

was quoted as saying. "As soon as I sat in my driving seat, these Khalistan supporters came out of nowhere. One of them opened the left side door of my vehicle and hit me with an iron rod on my cheekbone under my left eye," he said.

The student, who also works as a driver, said he was then dragged out of the vehicle and beaten with iron rods. He added that two of the assailants also video-recorded the attack.

"They were repeatedly raising the slogan "Khalistan Zindabad" the whole time," he was quoted as saying in the report.

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Leiden: 1 killed in stabbing incident

THE HAGUE: One man was killed and two people injured, one seriously, in a stabbing on Friday at a church-center that houses several aid organisations in the Dutch university city of Leiden, police said. A man entered the centre, a former bakery in the historic heart of the university city, just before 9.30 am and "for as yet unclear reasons stabbed the victims and then fled," police said in a statement. A 66-year-old man "was so badly injured that he died at the scene, two others were taken to a hospital," police said. Rawalpindi and Lahore reported the lowest rape cases at 69 and 89, respectively.

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