

Poverty forces Chhattisgarh man to kill 3 kids, self

A man killed his three children before ending his life on a railway track in Chhattisgarh, police said Thursday.

Lalit Satnami, 45, killed his two sons and a daughter Wednesday before throwing himself at a speeding train in Phuljhar village of Rajnandgaon district, 180 km south west of capital Raipur.

'Satnami smothered to death his children Ashwani, 16, Julli, 13, and Anil, seven and then killed himself under a running train,' Rajnandgaon district superintendent of police Amit Kumar told IANS over telephone.

Satnami's five-year-old daughter, Suman, survived her father's attack, he added.

Satnami was disabled due to an accident last year and was also a tuberculosis patient. His wife died of tuberculosis in 2004 and his one son and a daughter who were killed Wednesday also suffered from the disease.

Police said the deceased faced acute poverty and was unable to care for his ill children.

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