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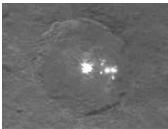
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- Varsha Maisuria was taking part in tandem skydive on a holiday in Mexico
- But the 42-year-old became tangled in the plane she had just jumped out of
- Foreign Office official and instructor reportedly left dangling from the plane
- Cessna 180 skydive plane crashed and sunk to the bottom of the sea bed

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A British woman is feared dead after a tandem skydive on a luxury holiday in Mexico ended in tragedy, as the 42-year-old became tangled in the plane she had just jumped out of.

Rescue crews are desperately searching for Varsha Maisuria as her family in Hendon, North London await any news about her fate in the horror crash - which happened just two days before the civil servant was due to return home.

The Cessna 180 skydive plane crashed and sunk to the bottom of the sea bed after Ms Maisuria and US instructor Robin Ballachey were left dangling from the plane after the failed jump.



Rescue crews are desperately searching for Varsha Maisuria (pictured) as her family in Hendon, North London await any news about her fate in the horror crash

Family of the Foreign Office official have launched an appeal for any information.

Her younger brother, who asked not to be named, told the Evening Standard: 'We are absolutely distraught.'

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'It happened next to one of the leading resorts in Mexico and we have been contacted by some holidaymakers who said they saw the whole thing.

'But what we understand is that by the time search and rescue teams got there, there was no sign of my sister or the lady instructor.'

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Meanwhile, her sister Amit has appealed online for help and pleaded for Mexican officials to continue searching the crash site, just 500m from the popular tourist haven Las Glorias at Puerto Vallarta.

She wrote: 'We are desperately campaigning for the Mexican authorities to keep searching for my sister.

'We are so grateful for the amount of support we have had from people across the world.

'Please continue to help us find my sister however you can - whether it's sharing messages via social media channels, speak to people that may be able to raise awareness and/or pray that we find her.'



The crash site was just 500m from the popular tourist haven Las Glorias at Puerto Vallarta (pictured)

The small plane's pilot and two male passengers survived the tragedy, which was Ms Maisuria's first time skydiving while on holiday with a friend.

She was due to fly home last Saturday but is yet to be found following the incident.

A Foreign Office spokesman said: 'We are aware of a British national missing in Mexico and we are providing consular assistance.'

The adrenaline sport made news earlier this week as a British Army sergeant was arrested after his wife's parachute failed to open during a skydive.

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Awful news and must have been so terrifying for them both. I can only assume the pilot tried to make a controlled descent onto water (rather than land onto a hard runway) to give the women and her instructor a fighting chance to survive but the impact onto the water at that speed was just too much.

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