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INDIARolff Harfurt

There are unconfirmed reports from the Jammu and Kashmir police that Rolff Harfurt is dead. They believe the men who abducted him on 11 July shot him a day or two later.

According to the German Embassy in New Delhi the reports "are still just rumours," but it is believed that after the shooting Harfurt's body, which has not yet been recovered, was thrown into a glacier by herdsmen who are now being sought by the police.

No further action is requested from the Urgent Action network. Many thanks to all those who sent appeals.