

60 shops gutted in fire at Mumbai's Crawford market

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Mumbai: A major fire broke out in South Mumbai's busy Crawford market in the wee hours today, gutting over 60 shops.

Fire officials said there was no casualty reported in the blaze.

"Our control room received an alert at 5:23 AM that a massive fire broke out at Crawford market. Soon 10 fire tenders and eight water tankers were pressed into action," a fire brigade official told PTI.

The official said the blaze has been brought under control but efforts to douse it completely was still on.

Over 60 shops, mostly of perfumes and packaging material, were gutted, and the cause behind the blaze is yet to be ascertained, he said.

Municipal Commissioner Ajoy Mehta visited the spot and asked locals who gathered around the market to keep a safe distance from the mishap site.

"We doused flames within 1 hour. Reason of fire will be known after investigation," PS Rahangdale, Chief Fire Officer told reporters.

Crawford market is located in the vicinity of Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus and the shops were mostly housed in old structures.

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