

70 garment workers hurt in stampede

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Around 70 garment workers were injured, 16 of them critically, in a stampede caused by a thick black smoke emitting from the iron section of a factory building in the port city yesterday.

A total of 5,000 workers were working in Golden Horizon Limited

during the incident at about 1:00pm, sources said.

The stampede occurred when apprehending a fire, the workers were rushing out hurriedly from the building.

The critically injured included Mukta, 22, Panna, 20, Yasmin, 21, Sabina, 20, Nazma, 20, Luna, 20, Amena, 20, Renu, 22, Aklima, 18,

Ruksana, 20, Rowshan Ara, 20, Shilpi Rani 20 and Shoilabala, 35. Sixteen of them were undergoing treatment at Chittagong Medical College and Hospital (CMCH) while others were released after first aid.

With this, around 200 garment workers were injured in stampede at different garment factories in Chittagong over the last 35 days.



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Citizen Rights Movement forms a human chain at Shahbagh in the city yesterday demanding immediate steps to resolve power crisis.

Two-hour power outage at ministers' houses demanded

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'Citizen Rights Movement' held a citizens' rally at the Institute of Fine Arts on the Dhaka University campus yesterday demanding two-hour loadshedding, from 7:00pm to 9:00pm, at the residential area for the ministers.

Chief Advisor of the organisation and former Information Secretary Syed Margub Morshed presided over the programmes.

Citizen Rights Movement Convener and executive director of 'Kamaktir Foundation' Tushar Rehman read out a written statement at the rally.

Tushar said the acute power outage has become a national crisis. Normal life of people has become tough following the massive loadshedding and power outage, he added.

He said industry and farming are severely hampered due to power crisis.

Advocate Abed Raza, Barrister Sadira Arman, Ifma Hossain, Advocate Julfiqar Akter Reeta, Dr Jesmin Ara Sultana Sathi, Advocate Abul Kalam Azad, Alhaj Md Nazimuddin Ali, Sharifuzzaman Sharif, Mamun Z Abedin and B Chowdhury Mamun also spoke at the rally.

Heroin seized in city

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people in this connection.

Members of Rapid Action Battalion (Rab) seized one kilogram of heroin worth about Tk 40 lakh from a house in Purana Paltan area in the city on Thursday night and arrested two

Abdul Kadir, 65, and Mohammad Selim, 45, were arrested during a raid on the house by Rab-3 members, said a Rab press release.