

2 labourers killed

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Two labourers were killed in separate accidents yesterday while they were working at their factories at Khilgaon and Lalbagh in the city.

Left hand of Mohammad Jisan, 20, an employee of Peyaraganj Garments at Chowdhurypara under Malibagh Police Station, suddenly slid into the washing machine at 2:15am when he was working in the factory.

His left wrist was cut off during the accident, Khilgaon police said

quoting his colleagues.

He was rushed to a nearby clinic where doctors declared him dead. Police sent the body to Dhaka Medical College and Hospital (DMCH).

In another incident, Mohammad Siddique, a labourer of a plastic cutter factory, fell on his machine at 3:00pm when he was working at the factory at Lalbagh in the city.

He was taken to the DMCH where doctors declared him dead.

His body was sent to the morgue for autopsy.

Robber killed in Ctg gunfight

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An unidentified robber was killed in a gunfight with patrol police of Khulshi Thana on Tuesday night near Pahartali Girls High School.

Police said the incident occurred at around 12.30am near the school when Khulshi patrol police team challenged a group of youths on suspicion.

One of the robbers was shot and fell down on the ground during the gunfight. Police took him to the hospital where doctors pronounced him dead.



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Prime Minister Khaleda Zia speaks on the budget in the Jatiya Sangsad in the city yesterday.

STREET CHILDREN

One-stop Crisis Centre in hospitals demanded

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Speakers at a press conference yesterday demanded of the government to establish 'One-stop Crisis Centre' in all public hospitals for the street children.

They said there are some 4,45,226

street children in the country who are the victims of physical, sexual and mental abuses, but are left out without any treatment.

The press conference was organised by the INCIDIN Bangladesh, an NGO working with the misplaced children, at Dhaka Reporters Unity Auditorium.

Ratan Sarker, executive director of the organisation, suggested the establishment of One-stop Crisis Centre for the street children like the repressed women.

There are two such centres, one in Dhaka and the other in Rajshahi, where women get legal and medical supports, he added.

Nasimul Ahsan, chief of advocacy of INCIDIN, said the street children are the victims of forced labour and physical torture, but they do not get any medical or legal support.

He urged the government to arrange health-care facilities, police assistance, social service, legal assistance, psychological counselling and safe shelter for the street children.

"The services provided by the social welfare ministry in the hospitals should be made effective and available for them," Nasimul added.

Executive Director AKM Mustak Ali was also present at the press conference.