

Child worker electrocuted

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

A child construction worker was electrocuted Balurghat in the city's Cantonment area yesterday.

The deceased was identified as Abu Bakar, 15, son of Mozibur Rahman, of Chapainawabganj district.

Fellow worker Abdul Bari said he got the shock when he was trying to repair a water pump around 12:30pm.

They rushed him to Dhaka Medical College Hospital around 1:50pm where he died.

Death anniversary

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Today is the second death anniversary of Prof Husne Ara Kamal, wife of former Chief Justice Mustafa Kamal and a teacher of Institute of Social Welfare and Research of Dhaka University. She was a writer, poet and social worker.

Zia did not fight in frontline: Amu

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Senior Awami League (AL) leader Amir Hossain Amu yesterday said there is no proof that Ziaur Rahman participated in any confrontational war though he was a sector commander during the War of Liberation.

Amu, member of advisory council of AL, said this at a discussion marking Mujibnagar Day, the day the government in exile was formed in 1971, organised by Bangabandhu Shanskritik Jote at Dhaka Reporters' Unity in the city.

Expressing doubts whether Zia was a real freedom fighter, he said Zia went to offload arms from Swat ship on March 24 in 1971, which he knew would be used against Bangladesh. How did he become a real freedom fighter within two days, he said.

Three held with bombs

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Three alleged extortionists were arrested while making handmade bombs at an under-construction building at Lalmojon Poddar Lane in city's Shyampur area yesterday evening.

The arrested are Rubel alias Boba Rubel, 21, Nurul Islam Suman, 32, and Md Rasel, 20.

Police recovered 15 handmade bombs and around 300 grammes of raw materials used in bomb-making from their possession, said Officer-in-Charge (OC) Miah Kutubur Rahman Chowdhury of Shyampur Police Station.

Acting on a tip-off, a team of Shyampur police raided the second floor of the three-storied building around 5:30pm where they found four people making bombs. Police could arrest three of them while the other fled, police said.

Indonesia arranging inat'l agri training

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Indonesia is organising two programmes on agricultural development in the developing countries.

International Training on Post Harvest Technology on Fruits and Vegetables is being held for Asia Pacific countries while an Apprenticeship Programme for Comorian Farmers in Indonesia for the Union of Comoros in eastern Africa.

The two events are being respectively conducted in Lembang, West Java, from 7-21 April and in Jakarta, Yogyakarta and West Java from April 3 to May 27, said a press release of Indonesian embassy in Dhaka.

Directorate of Technical Cooperation, Directorate General of Information and Public Diplomacy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia, in cooperation with its Agriculture Ministry, is organising the events.

The Director General for America and Europe Affairs Retno Marsudi said the two events are the commitment of Indonesia to assist other developing countries particularly in agriculture sector.

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