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**Scientists discover antibody to fight flu**

BBC ONLINE

The first antibody which can fight all types of the influenza A virus has been discovered, researchers claim.

Experiments on flu-infected mice, published in Science Express, showed the antibody could be used as an "emergency treatment". It is hoped the development will lead to a "universal vaccine" -- currently a new jab has to be made for each winter as viruses change.

**HUMAN SOURCE**  
It has already been suggested that some people who had swine flu may develop "super immunity" to other infections.

Scientists from the Medical Research Council's National Institute for Medical

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**Security was inadequate in UP polls**

*EC assesses reasons behind violence during, after recent voting*

PANKAJ KARMAKAR

The Election Commission thinks violence broke out at many places in the recently held union parishad (UP) election across the country due to deployment of inadequate number of security personnel.

In a post-election evaluation of security measures for the polls, Election Commissioner M Sakhawat Hussain said the commission has now realised that violence could have been averted if more law enforcers were deployed.

In most cases, violence took place in the post-polls period. It would have been possible to prevent those if the law enforcers were deployed for at least up to the third day after the polls, Sakhawat told The Daily Star.

Election to 3,750 UPs in 414 upazilas of 57 districts were held in the second and last phase of the polls that started on May 31 and ended on July 5.

In the first phase, election to around 550 UPs in 12

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A boy holds a bunch of flowers at Nesodden Kirke, Oslo, as he watches the funeral procession of Bano Rashid, 18, inset, one of the victims of the massacre on a youth camp. Norway yesterday began burying the victims of the twin attacks that killed 76 people exactly a week ago. Story on page 7.



Locals surrender homemade weapons to newly elected Union Parishad Chairman Shahidul Islam of Porahati in Jhenidah. Shahidul's initiative to rid the area of violence and maintain law and order went very well yesterday with people of 21 villages taking part and 500 arms surrendered.

PHOTO: STAR

**30 injured as rival AL men clash**

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Mymensingh

At least 30 people including five policemen were injured in a clash between two rival groups of Awami League (AL) at Gafargaon in Mymensingh yesterday.

Police said the clash took place between the activists of AL lawmaker Captain (retd) Giasuddin Ahmed and Gafargaon Upazila Chairman Fahmi Golandaj Babel over boarding a Mymensingh-bound train.

The supporters of both groups gathered at Gafargaon Railway Station at about 11:00 am to go to Mymensingh town and join an AL rally, said Omar Faruq, officer-in-charge of Gafargaon Police Station.

The activists of both factions were locked in

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**Promising singer Abid, his friend drown in sea**

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Close up-1 singer Abid Shahriar and one of his colleagues drowned in the sea at Cox's Bazar yesterday evening.

Abid, 26, a known face in the country's music arena through the talent hunt show, and the other dead, Mostakim, 27, were in the beach city on a two-day tour with a team from advertising agency Matra.

The 30-member group was staying at Motel Shoibal since Thursday.

Around 7:00pm, Abid, Mostakim and two others -- Ashiq and Sohel -- went to Kolatoli point for swimming, police and witnesses said. They sank after 10-15 minutes.

Divers of Robi Lifeguard rescued all but Ashiq and rushed them to Cox's Bazar General Hospital. There, doctors declared Abid and Mostakim dead around 8:00pm.

Sohel, however, recovered after doctors had pumped out the water inside his lungs.

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The Daily Star



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Do you think the police's recent spree of victimising innocent people shows their disrespectful attitude towards human rights?

Yes (95.9%)  
No (3.8%)  
No Comments (0.3%)

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**TODAY'S POLL**

Do you think the home ministry cell will be neutral in monitoring the case for killing six students in mob beating in Aminbazar?

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	Azan	Jamaat
Fajr	4-20	4-55
Zohr	12-45	1-15
Asr	5-00	5-15
Maghrib	6-50	6-55
Esha	8-15	8-45

Source: Islamic Foundation

**Libyan rebel military chief shot dead**

REUTERS, Benghazi/nalut

Libya's rebels said their military commander was shot dead in an incident that remained shrouded in mystery, pointing either to divisions within the movement trying to oust Muammar Gaddafi or to an assassination by Gaddafi loyalists.

The killing of Abdel Fattah Younes, who for years was in Gaddafi's inner circle before defecting to become the military chief in the rebel Transitional National Council (TNC), set back a movement that was at last beginning to acquire cohesion as international pressure on the Gaddafi regime intensifies.

Mourners brought a coffin carrying the burnt and bullet-riddled body of Younes into the main square of Benghazi, the rebels' eastern stronghold, yesterday, his nephew told Reuters.

"We got the body on Friday here (in Benghazi), he had been shot with bullets and burnt," Younes's nephew, Abdul Hakim, said as he followed the coffin through the square. "He had called us at 10 o'clock (on Thursday morning) to say he was on his way here."

Younes was killed in mysterious circumstances on Thursday after being recalled to Benghazi from the front

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Abdel Fattah Younes

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