

Five hurt while making bombs

50 crude bombs recovered; 5 including 3 injured men held

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Chapainawabganj

At least five persons were injured as some crude bombs they were making exploded in a house of a Union Parishad member in Rustam Mondolertola-Uttar Narayanpur area of Sadar upazila in Chapainawabganj early yesterday.

Five persons, including three of the injured, were arrested in Rajshahi while 50 crude bombs and bomb-making materials were recovered from the spot, said police.

Mohammad Shakil alias Sumon, 28, Jahidul Islam, 25, and Arif Hossain, 40, were undergoing treatment at Rajshahi Medical College Hospital under police escort, they said.

Mahfuzur Rahman, 28, and Hamidur Rahman, 25, were held while taking the three to the hospital, they added.

Two people, who sustained minor injuries in the explosion, managed to flee during police raid, said locals.

Sadar Model Police Station Sub-inspector Mahub Al Miran said the house owner was on the run.

14 held while trying to go to India

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Benapole

Members of Border Guard Bangladesh (BGB) arrested 14 Bangladeshi women and men while they were trying to go to India illegally through Gatipara border area in Benapole of Jessore early yesterday.

The arrestees are from different areas of Jessore, Narail and Kustia districts.

Nazrul Islam, camp commander of Benapole's BGB check post, said on secret information, a BGB team conducted a drive in the area and arrested five women and nine men, who were trying to go to India without valid documents.

BGB personnel later handed them over to Benapole Port police.

Rajshahi city suffers frequent power cuts following blackout

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Rajshahi

Following a 16-hour blackout, the people in Rajshahi city suffered tremendously due to frequent power failures for nearly 24 hours till yesterday afternoon.

After the blackout ended at 4:15pm Thursday, the power supply in many city areas was not stable even for 15 minutes.

Hours-long power cuts occurred throughout yesterday, with 20-40 minutes hiatuses.

The frequent outages happened as three out of six power sub-stations of the city broke down, Abdur Rashid, superintendent engineer of Rajshahi Power Development Board, told The Daily Star.

Some breakers (distribution line control circuits) of the sub-stations of

Talaimari, City Center and Shalbagan were damaged due to lightning on Wednesday, he added.

The delay occurred in finding those small faults, he said.

Rashid, however, claimed that regular power supply was restored at 4:00pm.

Residents say power supply became almost regular at 6:00pm yesterday. The earlier blackout started with a two-hour outage starting at 6:57pm on Wednesday. Again an outage occurred at 1:55am yesterday, only to last 14 hours.

Abdur Rahim Mamun of MS Electronics of Rajshahi New Market said, "I received at least 25 laptops and computers for servicing, but I could not repair a single of those as there was no power supply for the last three days."

Khondoker Hasan, owner of Hotel Nice International, said, "Our 100kw generator needs 10 litres of petrol to run for an hour. Is it not possible to run the hotel without power supply?"

"The weather is hot and the power supply has been irregular for the last three days. The situation is horrible," said Murad Parvez, a dweller of Kadirganj area.

The businessmen of the Eid market and patients at hospitals were the worst sufferers.

"I hardly afford buying drinking water, how will I manage water for washing clothes?" said Anjumand Ara, attendant of a patient at Rajshahi Medical College Hospital.

Out of seven daily newspapers of the city, only two were published yesterday.

Runway closure halts flights for 2hrs at airport

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Sudden closure of the runway of Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport for nearly two hours yesterday compelled four domestic flights to divert from Dhaka and land at the airport in Chittagong and delayed departure of three other international flights, airport sources said.

The airport authorities had to stop flights at 12:20pm after one of the posts of the central lights of the runway was uprooted causing a hole. The problem originated due to a huge thrust of aircraft, said Rezaul Karim, public relations officer of the Civil Aviation Authorities of Bangladesh.

He also said flight operations restarted at 2:05pm.



Pedestrians pass through this road which has been narrowed down as broken underground pipes have been kept there for its development works for around 18 days in Pearabagh of the capital's Moghbazar. The photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: STAR

Dhaka, Washington

FROM PAGE 3 Investment Cooperation' held in-depth discussion on bilateral, regional and global issues of mutual interests.

Foreign Secretary Md Shahidul Haque, who is leading a 13-member Bangladesh delegation, made a presentation in Washington Thursday. He focused, among other issues, on the Great Thrusts of Trade and Investment, Strength of Bangladesh Economy, Deeper Connectivity, Challenges of Climate Change, and a Strategic Vision of a Developed Bangladesh in 2030/35 having the intrinsic values of Democracy, Secularism, Pluralism and Liberalism.

On the concluding day of the dialogue yesterday, US Under Secretary for Political Affairs Thomas Shannon led the US team.

Diplomatic sources said security issues would be on top of the agenda in the dialogue.

The US offers Dhaka cooperation on security issues including countering violent extremism and terrorism, while security of the US embassy and its officials in Bangladesh will come up prominently.

The US, which is worried about the safety and security of its officials in Bangladesh following the brutal murder of its staff Xulhaz Mannan, will raise the issue of strengthening private security forces in the concluding day discussion.

Highly placed sources said the US is interested in exploring the option of armed Bangladeshi private security personnel ensuring security of the US officials in Dhaka.

Though the US noted the outstanding security provided by local law-enforcement agencies, "the embassy is interested in exploring the option of some of the Bangladeshi private security personnel carrying arms."

Moreover, the issue of human rights would come up broadly in the discussion, in particular, reports of extrajudicial killings and harassment and arrest of people during recent anti-militancy drives.

SOHEL MURDER Close aide of prime suspect arrested

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

Police yesterday arrested an alleged cohort of the main accused of the case filed in connection with the murder of Nasim Ahmed Sohel, an MBA student of Premier University Chittagong, on March 29.

The arrestee Md Asif, 20, was arrested from the city's Alfallah Goli area, said Sub-inspector Humayun Kabir of Chawk Bazar Police Station, adding, Asif was "found" on CCTV footage with Md Ibrahim Sohan, the main accused, on the university campus at the time of the incident.

With Asif, six were arrested, said the SI, also the case's investigation officer (IO). The name of the five accused was mentioned in the first information record, he added.

However, of the arrestees, four were on bail, he said.

Police said Sohel, a member of Chittagong city unit BCL, was stabbed to death allegedly by rival BCL members over controlling a farewell and fresher's reception programme.

Gas cylinder blast kills Ctg driver

Two passengers seriously injured

STAFF CORRESPONDENT, Ctg

A driver of a CNG-run auto-rickshaw was killed and two passengers were seriously injured as the vehicle's gas cylinder blasted in Panchlaish area of the port city yesterday.

The identity of the deceased driver, aged from 25 to 30, could not be ascertained immediately.

The two injured passengers -- Abdul Amin, 55 and his son Abdur Rahman, 28, of Teknaf -- were admitted to the burn unit of Chittagong Medical College Hospital (CMCH) with 100 percent burn injuries, said the on-duty doctors.

According to witnesses and police, the vehicle heading towards the city's Oxygen area suddenly caught fire near Baby Super Market area in Panchlaish around 3:30pm.

The whole vehicle was engulfed by fire that lasted for around 15 minutes, said Md Osman Ali Razu, who witnessed the incident and was among the rescuers.

Abdul Mottaleb, sub-inspector of Panchlaish police, said the fire originated from a cylinder blast.

They suspected that the cylinder was faulty.

Bangladesh can use

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With trade staying at its place, the most excited thing in green technology can happen through cooperation between the two countries, he added.

Denmark is one of the very few developed countries that are keeping their promise of donating 0.7 percent of their gross domestic product (GDP) to the developing world.

"We also have Denmark by our side in the global negotiations on climate change," the diplomat said and termed the Nordic country a trusted friend of Bangladesh.

He said Dhaka North City Corporation Mayor Annisul Haq would attend the Global Green Growth Forum in Copenhagen scheduled for this June.

The forum would explore and demonstrate better collaboration and partnerships among leading businesses, investors and key public institutions that can lead to new models of inclusive and sustainable growth for all.

Muhith, who is also responsible for maintaining Bangladesh's diplomatic relations with Estonia and Iceland, said all these European countries are equipped with high-end green technologies in their business operations and it can be of great interest for Bangladesh, a country that is bracing digitalisation.

Iceland has expertise in fishing in the deep sea and marine resources management, and Bangladesh, having a huge maritime boundary, can surely learn from Iceland, he added.

New radio channel for

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The Maitree channel shall also source its content from Bangladesh Betar, official sources told The Daily Star here yesterday.

The Bangladesh cultural affairs minister is expected to be present when Mukherjee launches the new channel at Kolkata's cultural landmark Rabindra Sadan.

The concept of the channel emanates from a decision taken during the visit of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to Dhaka in June last year, regarding exploring possibilities of content-sharing among the broadcast organisations of the two countries for further strengthening close cultural, economic, political and emotional bonding between the two neighbours.

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In the Supreme Court of Bangladesh High Court Division (Statutory Original Jurisdiction) Company matter No. 144/2016

Application under section 12 read with section 13 of Companies Act, 1994.

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The next hearing date is on 09.08.2016

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