

Recipe for DISASTER



STAR REPORT

The death toll from Monday's boiler explosion rose to 13 yesterday, showing once again that boilers are becoming a major source of industrial disasters due to lack of proper inspection and use of outdated boilers.

The casualty could have been much higher if all sections of the garment factory of

Slack inspection, negligence make industries vulnerable to fatal blasts; death toll in Gazipur explosion rises to 13

Multifabs Ltd in Kashimpur area were open at the time of explosion. Only a few sections were in operation on Monday evening, and the factory was supposed to reopen fully yesterday after the Eid vacation.

Mahmuddin Faruqui, chairman and managing director of Multifabs, told this newspaper that Multifabs purchased the boiler

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NEWS ANALYSIS

FREE JUDICIARY A dream too far

SHAKHAWAT LITON

The judiciary is yet to be allowed to have the independence offered by the original constitution 45 years ago, making the idea of nurturing judicial freedom further a hollow promise.

There is no move on the government's side to restore the provision of the constitution of 1972 with regard to the independence of the judiciary. Thus the aspiration for a fully independent judiciary will remain unmet for an indefinite period.

In such a situation, the government's claim that

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Around 2,000 Bangladeshis stuck in Turkey

UNB, Dhaka

Around 2,000 Bangladeshis, mostly migrants from Iran, Lebanon and Jordan, got stuck in Turkey as their attempts to illegally enter

Europe through the country became difficult. Bangladesh Ambassador in Ankara Allama Siddiki fears a humanitarian crisis and slower repatriation of the stranded people. He has conveyed information on the overall situation to the ministries concerned in Dhaka.

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'Blindfolded, taken away on microbus'

Farhad Mazhar gives statement under 164; family takes him to hospital from court

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Writer and poet Farhad Mazhar in a judicial statement yesterday said several unidentified men forced him into a microbus and blindfolded him minutes after he came out of his Adabor house to buy medicine early in the morning on Monday, according to court sources.

While giving the statement under Section 164 of Code of Criminal Procedure (CrPC) before a magistrate in Dhaka, he also said



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law enforcement agencies rescued him from a bus in Noapara of lessore as he was heading for the capital after the abductors released him in Khulna.

He thought that a vested quarter orchestrated the incident to put the government in an embarrassing situation, the sources added.

Yesterday afternoon, he was placed in his own custody following an application after

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PHOTO: SANJOY KUMAR BARUA

With the rickshaw-van almost submerged by rising waters of the Matamuhuri river, an ailing elderly woman, seated on a chair, is being taken to Lama Upazila Health Complex in Bandarban yesterday. Some 2,000 families of the upazila town have been marooned due to flash floods triggered by heavy rain in the last two days. More photos on page 16.

Flood fury rages

After greater Sylhet, floods hit Bandarban, Ctg; road communication disrupted; water, food crises in affected areas

SANJOY KUMAR BARUA, Bandarban, DWIOHA CHOWDHURY, Sylhet and MINTU DESHWARA, Moulvibazar

Fresh onrush of flood water has submerged parts of the hilly southeast -- Bandarban and Chittagong -- while Sylhet in the country's northeast continues to suffer due to floods triggered by early monsoon.

The flood situation has worsened further in Sylhet and Moulvibazar districts as waters in the Surma and Kushiara rivers continue to swell snapping communication. Nearly three lakh people of the districts are now facing a crisis of food and drinking water.

In a more recent development, rain-induced flashfloods have left as many as 2,000 families marooned at Lama upazila in Bandarban. Low lying areas of the port city have

also been getting flooded during high tides causing sufferings to thousands of people.

Last month, at least 150 people were killed in landslides following heavy rainfall and onrush of water in the hilly areas of Chittagong, Rangamati and Bandarban.

Incassant rain over the last couple of days inundated a vast area in Lama upazila of Bandarban. All important offices in the upazila have been flooded.

Sources at the Lama upazila administration said low lying areas of Lama municipality including police station, upazila nirbahi office, veterinary office, food office, post office, Lama Bazaar, Ruposhi Para, Sarai and Fashikhali went under five to six feet of water.

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রোগ প্রতিরোধ ক্ষমতা কম!

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- রোগ-প্রতিরোধ ক্ষমতা বাড়ায়
- রক্তে কোলেস্টেরলের পরিমাণ কমায়
- রাতকানা রোগ প্রতিরোধ করে



হাড় ক্ষয়ের কারণে হাঁটুতে ব্যথা!

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- অস্টিওপোরোসিস ও বিষমতা প্রতিরোধ করে
- হাড় ও দাঁত মজবুত করে
- ইনসুলিনের মাত্রা ঠিক রাখে



ত্বকে সমস্যা!

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- এর এন্টি অক্সিডেন্ট প্রোপার্টি ত্বক ও চুল সুস্থ রাখে
- কোল্যাঙ্গেন-এর ঘাটতি পূরণে সাহায্য করে, ফলে তারুণ্যকে দীর্ঘায়িত করে



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