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MOGHBAZAR BLAST

Caretaker's body found 2 days later

Probe body blames methane; cops file case

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Two days after an explosion in a building in the capital's Moghbazar, another body was recovered from the debris yesterday, raising the death toll to eight.

The victim, Harun-or-Rashid, 71, was the caretaker of the three-storey building.

Debashis Bardhan, deputy director (operations and maintenance) of Fire Service and Civil Defence, said Harun had been missing since the blast on Sunday evening. Firefighters found his body around 3:30pm while inspecting the debris on the ground floor.

"We will hand over the body to police ...," he said.

Meanwhile, police yesterday filed a case with Ramna Police Station against unidentified people for causing deaths by negligence.

Harun Or Rashid, additional deputy

commissioner of Ramna division of Dhaka Metropolitan Police, told journalists that they were investigating whether there was any negligence from the owner, caretakers and traders in the building.

It will also be probed whether there is any negligence in the storage or management of goods by the traders in the building, he added.

METHANE GAS BLAMED

Md Asaduzzaman, who leads the seven-member committee formed by police to investigate the cause of the explosion, yesterday said Moghbazar blast took place in presence of methane gas.

He said 12-13 percent methane gas was found at the spot by testing with a gas detector machine.

"Initially, I guess that the accumulated gas came in contact with air and formed an explosive mixture which caused a huge

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Around 300 Chinese citizens in Bangladesh queue up for receiving coronavirus vaccine in Dhaka's Mugda General Hospital. In line with Bangladesh government's guidelines, the Chinese embassy in Dhaka organised the vaccination programme yesterday.

PHOTO: ANISUR RAHMAN

Militants have no capacity to attack now

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Militants are not capable of carrying out any major subversive attack in the country at this moment, Rab Director General Chowdhury Abdullah Al Mamun has said.

"We are one step ahead of militants and that's why there is no violence by militants in the country now. We are taking actions before any major incident could occur," he said.

The chief of Rapid Action Battalion was speaking to reporters at the Rab headquarters yesterday about the current law and order in the country.

He said the Rab were monitoring militant activities in the cyber world and whenever they get information through this monitoring, they arrest militants and bring them to book.

Since the Holey Artisan Bakery attack in the capital's Gulshan on July 1, 2016, the Rab has arrested around 1,500 militants in last five years. Besides, 16 militants were rehabilitated after their surrender, said Mamun.

At least 20 local and foreign nationals were killed in the militant attack in 2016. Two police officials were also killed

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Lawyers should have 10pc pro bono cases

Says CJ

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Chief Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain yesterday said law profession has now become a business.

Lawyers in the past would not charge extra other than fixed fees, he said, adding that lawyers should have at least 10 percent pro bono cases, as practicing law is a service profession.

The chief justice made the remark while presiding over a six-member full bench of the Supreme Court's Appellate Division for virtually dealing with several jail appeals filed by poor convicts.

Chief Justice Syed Mahmud Hossain told senior lawyer and criminal law expert Md Munsurul Hoque Chowdhury that senior lawyers like him should move pro bono cases.

Justice Muhammad Imman Ali, a senior most member of the apex court bench, said lawyers' licences are to be renewed every year in different countries of the world. The lawyers have to show that they have moved some cases without any cost; otherwise their licences are not renewed, he said.

Lawyer Munsurul told the apex court that the honorariums given to the state defence lawyers are very poor.

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ROAD TO FREEDOM THIS DAY IN BANGLADESH LIBERATION WAR HISTORY

Monsoon takes toll on Bangladeshi refugees

JUNE 30, 1971

SHAMSUDDOZA SAJEN

RAINS ADD TO DEATH TOLL OF BANGLADESHI REFUGEES

The procession to Baduria's cremation landing with the bodies of refugees from Bangladesh was endless, reported Washington Star.

Until mid-June 1971, cholera was the main killer among the poorly dressed, shelterless refugees in that jute centre 45 miles from Calcutta and in hundreds of other refugee camps along the Bangladesh frontier.

Now bronchial pneumonia, fever, chicken pox and measles, all aggravated by the monsoon rains, were taking their toll.

Relief officials in Calcutta feared the death toll might rise sharply in the next few weeks when the monsoons would intensify.

The officials said that thanks to medicines rushed to India from around the world, they were able to quell the previous month's cholera epidemic, which took more than 5,000 lives.

But they still desperately needed foreign help for tents, tarpaulins and waterproofing material to provide shelter for an estimated 2 million refugees living in the open.

EAST PAKISTANIS PICKET HERE AGAINST SHIPMENT OF ARMS

A group of 12 Bangladeshis and sympathisers picketed Pier 36 on the East River, New York, today, carrying signs that said "The Shipment of Arms Must Be Stopped".

The Pakistani ship Kapitai berthed at the pier on the previous day and was scheduled to make a number of other Atlantic and Gulf Coast stops before sailing to Karachi in West Pakistan.

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BSF shoots Bangladeshi dead

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Lalmonirhat

A Bangladeshi youth was shot dead by the members of the Indian Border Security Force (BSF) in the bordering area of Lalmonirhat's Patgram upazila.

The victim is Rifat Hossain, 34, of the upazila's Jagatber union.

Members of Cooch Behar 140 BSF Battalion's Chuangarkhata BSF camp's patrolling team opened fire on the youth early yesterday, confirmed Belal Hossain, commander of Shamsnagar BCB Company Camp.

BSF took the victim's body and handed it over to Mathabhangra police in India.

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Scientists find new kind of supernova



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Scientists have discovered an entirely new stellar explosion, named the "electron-capture" supernova.

It not only adds a third kind of supernova to the existing two, but also helps solve a mystery that has lasted for a thousand years.

In the year 1054 AD, people all over the world reported seeing the sky lit up with a bright light. It

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PRAYER TIMING JUNE 30

Fajr	Zohr	Asr	Maghrib	Esha
AZAN 4:05	12:45	5:00	6:54	8:17
JAMAAT 4:40	1:15	5:15	6:57	8:45

SOURCE: ISLAMIC FOUNDATION



With an umbrella, three men are trying to keep themselves dry in the afternoon downpour in the capital. The photo was taken on Dhaka University campus premises yesterday.

PHOTO: RASHED PALASH

World passes 3b vaccine mark

AGENCIES

More than three billion doses of Covid-19 vaccines have been given across the world, an AFP tally from official sources revealed yesterday, as the highly infectious Delta strain continued to cause mayhem around the world.

Russia reported its highest daily coronavirus death toll and Australia locked down major cities.

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