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Alternative Nobel Prize for Gonoshasthya

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 7.—A health centre in Bangladesh, a Guatemalan human rights campaigner and a scientist and journalist who blew the whistle on Chernobyl were today jointly awarded a prize known as the alternative Nobel, reports Reuter.

The Gonoshasthya Kendra Health Centre headed by Dr. Zafullah Chowdhury received one third of the one million crown to 185,185 dollar. Right Livelihood Award for its 20 years of rural health work in Bangladesh.

Guatemalan Helen Mack was cited for her work investigating political murders in the Central American

country, following the murder of her sister two years ago.

American Professor John Gofman and Ukrainian journalist Alla Yarochinskaya shared the remaining one third for publicising the effects of a 1986 nuclear power station accident at Chernobyl, Ukraine, despite what the jury called obstruction by authorities and international scientific bodies.

The Right Livelihood Award, which is always announced around the time of the annual Nobel prizes, was set up in 1980 with the aim of honouring individuals and organisations that found practical solutions to the world's problems.