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Civil Defence Week begins

Call to educate people about fire accidents

Home Minister Abdul Matin Chowdhury on Saturday said, fire service and civil defence force have been playing the principal role in protecting life and property from fire accidents or any natural disaster, reports BSS.

He was addressing as the chief guest the inaugural ceremony of Fire Service and Civil Defence Week '94 at Mirpur Fire Service and Civil Defence Training Complex.

On the occasion an alternative parade fire fighting rehearsal and modern extinguishing equipments were shown. Several modern techniques of fire fighting, rescue and transport of victims also displayed in the rehearsal.

Formally inaugurating the week the Home Minister said that government has taken plan to establish fire service station in every important places of the country. He said, one of the important responsibility of the members of fire service is to educate the citizens about the measures to be taken for extinguishing fire and tackling fire accidents.

The Home Minister suggested for building up skilled manpower for fire service civil defence. He said, training and rehearsal have no alternative. He called upon the fire service members to work with utmost sincerity and devotion in creating greater awareness among the people of the country for preventing fire accidents.

On this occasion a voluntary blood donation programme was also organised in the training centre and more than one hundred members of fire service donated blood.

Director General of BDR, Director General of Ansar and VDP, Director General of Fire Service and Civil Defence and high military and civil officers attended the function.