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Nepali jailed for killing co-worker

Fight over chair leads to Bangladeshi's death

SHAH ALAM: A Nepali was jailed for 21 years by the High Court here for causing the death of a Bangladeshi co-worker after an argument over a chair at a factory two years ago.

Milan Magar, 23, was sitting on the stool when Faruk Miah, 32, came by and asked him for the stool. He told Faruk to look for another chair. He then left the scene but later came back and attacked Faruk.

Magar was initially charged with murder under Section 302 of the Penal Code that provided the mandatory death sentence but had pleaded guilty to an alternative charge of causing Faruk's death.

Justice Abdul Alim Abdullah said that the victim suffered serious injuries, including seven slash wounds on the head and an almost

severed wrist.

"It (the injuries) should not have been suffered by the deceased over such a trivial matter like a chair," he said yesterday.

Justice Abdul Alim said that he did not see any provocation as claimed by the defence as the injuries were of a defensive nature.

Magar committed the offence at a factory at Jalan Sungai Rasau 32, Sungai Rasau Industri Park, Seksyen 16, here at 10.50am on Jan 22, 2011.

Earlier, defence lawyer K.A. Ramu said that his client legally entered the country five months before the incident.

"The victim had always bullied the accused. He was provoked. My client came here to work, not to commit a crime," said Ramu.