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SEVERE BLEEDING

SECURITY GUARD GORED TO DEATH

Aggressive bull attacks man who was trying to load it onto lorry

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A SECURITY guard was gored to death by a buffalo after a botched attempt to load the animal onto a lorry at his farm in Kampung Paya Tambang here on Tuesday.

In the 7pm incident, Bazarudin Yeop Yahya, 59, was trying to rein in the bull – which was meant to be sold off – onto a lorry when one of the ropes tying the animal came loose.

It then turned aggressive, knocking the victim to the ground before stomping and goring him several times.

Bazarudin's two friends, who had earlier helped him to rein in the animal, rushed to his aid.

District police chief Assistant Commissioner Zundin Mahmood said the victim's family took him to the Sultan Ahmad Shah Hospital, where he died.

He said the post-mortem examination revealed severe bleeding in the abdomen. The case has been classified as sudden death.



The buffalo which turned aggressive and gored Bazarudin Yeop Yahya to death yesterday. (Inset) Bazarudin. PIC BY NAZIRUL ROSELAN

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HSI members carry a dog in a crate during a rescue event after a farm closure in Namyangju. — Picture by AFP

Dogs find new life in adoptive homes

SEOUL — Barking at their rescuers, labradors, beagles and mongrels desperately scrambled out of rusty cages in South Korea: saved from the dinner plate by a deal with dog-meat farmer Kim Young-Hwan.

In the face of falling demand, Kim agreed to close his establishment in exchange for compensation from US-based Humane Society International (HSI). The dogs are bound for a new life in adoptive homes in the West.

He is the 10th canine-meat farmer to accept such an offer in three years. The exact sums are confidential, but each deal requires hundreds of thousands of dollars once adoption costs are included.

"This business is doomed... I wanted to quit before it's too late," Kim said. The 56-year-old had 170 dogs at his farm in Namyangju, north of Seoul.

"The price has plummeted in recent years,"

he said. "I'm barely making ends meet these days. Plus I've been harassed by animal rights groups all the time. It's such a hassle."

The push by animal rights activists, including many overseas groups, to outlaw dog meat consumption in the South has sparked mixed reactions and accusations of Western hypocrisy.

South Koreans are believed to consume about one million dogs a year as a summertime delicacy, with the greasy red meat — which is invariably boiled for tenderness — believed to increase energy.

The tradition has declined as the nation increasingly embraces the idea of dogs as pets instead of livestock, with eating them now something of a taboo among young South Koreans.

Nevertheless, activists have stepped up campaigns to ban dog consumption, with online petitions urging boycotts of the 2018

Pyeongchang Winter Olympics over the issue and protests in Seoul.

Such lobbying has provoked angry debates over what many describe as cultural double standards.

"I don't eat dogs, but I am disgusted by those who preach that only animals deemed cuddly enough or friendly enough by Westerners deserve to live," read one online comment.

One fifth of the South's 50 million people own pets, mostly dogs and cats, said another netizen, but for many of the rest, dogs were "no more special than lambs or rabbits".

Similar debates have emerged in other Asian nations where dogs are eaten.

China's most notorious dog meat festival in the southwestern town of Yulin has drawn crowds despite international outrage, with sellers saying the criticism has actually encouraged more people to eat canines.

Taiwan banned dog meat consumption in April to mixed reaction, with some deeming it unfair to single out certain species under what was mocked as the "cute animal protection law".

Polls show South Korean public opinion is divided.

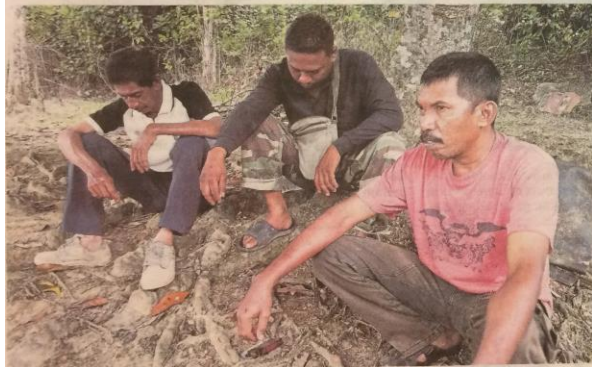
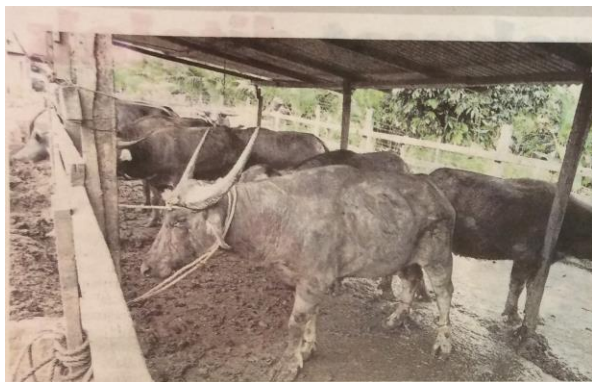
According to a survey this year 70 per cent of South Koreans do not eat dogs, but far fewer — about 40 per cent — believe the practice should be banned.

It also found 65 per cent support raising and slaughtering dogs in more humane conditions.

There is currently no law on how to treat or slaughter canines in the meat trade in South Korea. But while farmers have urged Seoul to include dogs under livestock welfare regulations, animal rights groups oppose doing so, seeking complete abolition instead.

— AFP

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RAKAN mangsa sugul selepas menerima berita sedih.

MAUT AMUKAN KERBAU

■ Pengawal dipijak, ditanduk haiwan peliharaan mahu dijual

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Temerloh

Seorang pengawal keselamatan maut akibat ditanduk dan dipijak kerbau peliharaannya yang tiba-tiba mengamuk dalam kejadian di Kampung Pava Tambang di sini, kelmarin.

Dalam kejadian jam 6.45 petang itu, Bazarudin Yeop Yahaya, 59, disahkan meninggal dunia akibat pendarahan teruk di dada dan perut selepas dibawa ke hospital oleh keluarganya.

Ketua Polis Daerah Temerloh Asisten Komisioner Zundin Mahmood berkata, sebelum kejadian, mangsa dikatakan menghubungi dua rakannya meminta bantuan untuk menaikkan haiwan berkenaan ke atas lori kerana mahu dijual.

Beliau berkata, kejadian berlaku ketika mangsa dan dua rakannya itu cuba menaikkan haiwan berkenaan ke atas lori.

"Ketika mahu menaikkan kerbau itu, seutas

tali yang mengikatnya dipercayai longgar menyebabkan secara tiba-tiba haiwan itu mengamuk lalu menanduk serta memijak badan mangsa.

"Mangsa yang terbaring dalam belukar selepas ditanduk sempat meminta rakannya dan pembeli kerbau itu menaikkan haiwan berkenaan ke atas lori," katanya ketika dihubungi, semalam.

Menurutnya, mangsa kemudian dibawa pulang ke rumah sebelum dihantar keluarganya ke Hospital Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah (HOSHAS) di sini, untuk rawatan lanjut, namun disahkan meninggal dunia akibat kecederaan parah dialami.

Katanya, hasil bedah siasat mendapati punca kematian disebabkan pendarahan teruk akibat luka tandukan kerbau itu di dada dan abdomen mangsa.

"Kes diklasifikasikan sebagai mati mengikut berikutan tiada unsur jenayah dikesan dalam kejadian itu," katanya.

Sementara itu, ahli keluarga dan rakan Bazarudin enggan ditemui bual kerana masih bersedih dengan kejadian itu ketika kunjungan Harian Metro ke rumah mangsa, semalam.

Bagaimanapun, Harian Metro difahamkan jenazah mangsa tiba di kediamannya kira-kira jam 11 pagi sebelum disembahyang dan dikebumikan di Tanah Perkuburan Islam, Kampung Raja di sini, jam 12 tengah hari, semalam.