


Three workers killed in gas cylinder blast at banana-ripening plant

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StatesPosted at: Jul 18 2018 8:43PM  [Share](#) Jalgaon, Jul 18 (UNI) Three workers were killed and one was injured

when an ethylene gas cylinder exploded in a banana-ripening chamber near Aaturli Phata in Muktainagar taluka of the district on Wednesday.

The incident occurred this afternoon at around 1530 hours at Lukman Fruit Company, one of the cold storage for ripening of bananas, situated at Aaturli Phata, police said.

Primary investigation has revealed that the ethylene gas cylinder suddenly exploded and killed three workers and one was seriously injured.

The explosion was so devastating that the rooms of the cooling plant were damaged and the pieces of the cylinder were thrown out of the room, police informed and said some motorbikes and autorickshaws that were parked near the room were also damaged.

The deceased were identified as Sheikah Sharif Shaikh Kalu (38, resident of Rasalpur, Raver taluka), Shivaji Dagadu Salunkhe (29, resident Aaturli) and Nivrutti Devidas Patil (44).

Injured Shaikh Hanif Shaikh Hameed has been shifted to Baranpur in Madhya Pradesh.

As the banana-ripening cooling plant is situated on the Maharashtra-Madhya Pradesh border, the Muktainagar police and MP police rushed to the spot.

The cold storage plant belonged to one Sheikh Lukman Sheikh Ismail, who had started project in the year 2015.

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