



Chapainawabganj chapter of the Sector Commanders Forum forms a human chain in front of Chapainawabganj Press Club yesterday protesting killings and barbaric attacks by Jamaat-Shibir men in Rajshahi and other areas of the country.

Robbers loot 3 night coaches in Sylhet

7 arrested in Kishoreganj

STAR NATIONAL DESK

Robbers looted three buses in Sylhet while Rab arrested seven robbers and recovered a microbus from them in Kishoreganj on Wednesday.

UNB from Sylhet reports: Robbers looted valuables worth Tk 4 lakh from the passengers of three buses on Biswanath-Jagannathpur bypass road on Wednesday night injuring a bus driver and his helper critically.

Police said, an armed gang barricaded the road by putting log at about 11:00 pm. As the buses stopped, they took away eight mobile sets, cash, gold ornaments and other valuables from the passengers at gunpoint.

The robbers at one stage stabbed bus driver Kabul Miah and his helper Kamal Miah. They were rushed to Sylhet Osmani Medical College and Hospital.

In Kishoreganj, a Rab team arrested seven robbers and

recovered a microbus and three mobile sets from their possession on Wednesday night.

The arrestees are identified Zahirul Islam, 27, Md. Amin, 27, Muhammad Ali, 20, Jamal Mia, 28, Anwar Parvez, 26, Masuk alias Mishu, 30, and Sirajul Islam, 33.

According to sources, robber Sirajul and his accomplice Kabir on Tuesday hired a microbus from Companyganj under Muradnagar upazila of Comilla to go to Bhairab upazila's Bausbari area. On the way, they took away the microbus and three mobile sets from the driver at gunpoint.

The following day, the driver and owner of the microbus filed a case with Bhairab police station.

Acting on a tip-off, a Rab team from Bhairab recovered the microbus from Katiadi and arrested the robbers from Kamalpur at about 8:00pm.

LAND DISPUTES

35 injured in clashes

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At least 35 people have been injured in clashes over disputed land in Manikganj and Thakurgaon.

At least 25 people were injured in a bloody clash between two rival groups at remote Alokdia Char in Shibalaya upazila on Wednesday afternoon.

Officer-in-Charge of Shibalaya police station Moniruzzaman told UNB that there was a long-standing conflict between two groups - one led by Rashid and another by former UP member Moti - over ownership of land in the char.

As a sequel to the conflict, supporters of Rashid picked up a quarrel with Moti's men as they were catching fish in the char at about 4:00pm. They also vandalised the house of Moti.

Later, the two groups equipped with sticks and sharp weapons attacked each other leaving 25 people injured from both sides.

In Thakurgaon, at least 10 people were injured in a clash over possession of a khas land on Tuesday afternoon at Lahagara village under Baliadangi upazila.

Of the injured, freedom fighter Choitu Mohammad, 65, his son Moshirul, 35, Bhalomai, 32, Akhtara Banu, 35, Khem Lal, 45, Bhabaram, 45, Tobaram, Shing, 40, Chandra Shing, 28, were admitted to Baliadangi health complex, reports our correspondent.

Police and locals said Choitu had been living beside a pond at the village on a 24-decimal of land. On Tuesday afternoon, a group of people led by Khem Lal came to cut trees from a place adjacent to Choitu's house.

As the freedom fighter resisted, Khem Lal's men attacked Choitu and his family members. They also set choitu's house on fire.

It sparked a bloody clash which left 10 people from both sides injured.

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