



HEFAJAT MAYHEM IN CAPITAL

1) The evening sky lights up in the glow of fires set by Hefajat-e Islam activists on business establishments, offices, makeshift shops on footpaths and shopping malls from the capital's Paltan intersection to Motijheel. 2) Hefajat men take up position at the north gate of Baitul Mukarram Mosque. 3) They set fire to makeshift shops selling books on Islam and prayer items on the road before the mosque's south gate. 4) The Hefajat men face off police at Bijoy Nagar. 5) A helicopter of Rapid Action Battalion patrols Motijheel area from the skies above while the Hefajat men were vandalising private and public properties below. 6) The Hefajat men rip off tin sheets from business establishments at Bijoy Nagar to use as shields against rubber bullets fired by police. 7) The vandalised decorations of Golap Shah Mazar in Gulistan following an attack by Hefajat men. 8) The Chittagong-based Islamist organisation activists blockade Buriganga No 1 Bridge in Postogola right above an army camp. 9) With no vehicles available on Bangabandhu Avenue, a woman and an elderly man rush on foot to safer grounds. 10) A bleeding trader, injured after being hit by brickbats hurled by Hefajat men, rushes across Paltan area with his goods. 11) Kader Siddiqui exchanges pleasantries with a Hefajat-e Islam activist in Gabtoli area. 12) An Awami League activist holds a gun before the party's Bangabandhu Avenue office. He and several others had used firearms to ward off Hefajat men in a series of attempted attacks on the office. 13) Officials and employees of Bangladesh Secretariat look on at the violence perpetrated by the Hefajat activists on the roads below.

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