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The Saviours of Our Time

The Burn and Plastic Surgery Unit of the Dhaka Medical College Hospital has been shoved into the limelight thanks to the continuous arson attacks that has left hundreds injured and proved fatal for many. Diligent doctors of the burn unit, as it is more popularly known, are working day and night to provide help and care to the arson victims in addition to other fire victims who are ready to travel long distances to get treated here.

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The violence seems endless, as does the list of arson victims admitted daily at the Burn and Plastic Surgery Unit of the Dhaka Medical College Hospital. The 100-bed hospital wing currently accommodates over 300 people, many of them victims of the ongoing political violence. A chance visit to the burn unit of the hospital will present you with a chaotic scene; nurses running around with saline packets in hand, ready to provide first-aid to the steady influx of patients being admitted to the hospital; doctors attending patients, trying to be patient as they answer the questions of family members of arson victims; and patients occupying every space available in the already overflowing hospital wing.

The current violent political situation of the country has doctors of the burn unit working around the clock. Dr Kazi Imran Ahmed is an excellent example of a doctor devoted to his job of treating patients. The doctor was already in the