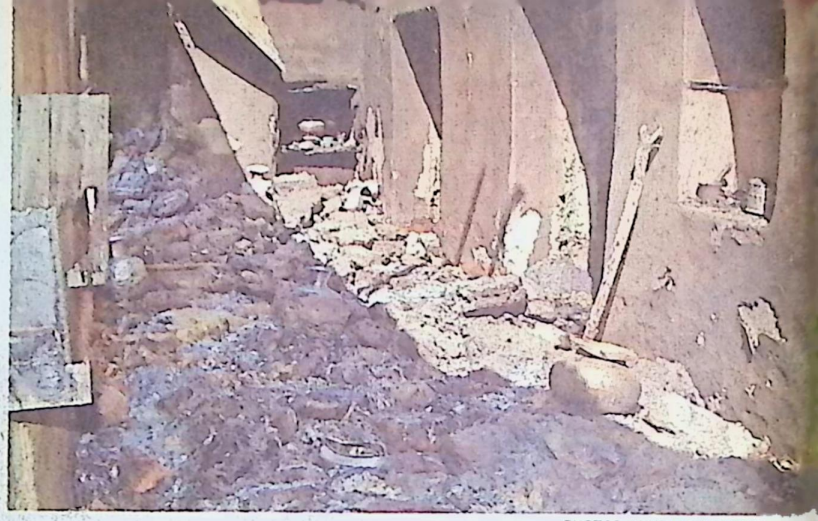
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Twelve years ago we had been shaken by the Bashkhali incident where 11 Hindus were burnt alive in their home. A special investigation committee was formed to find out the facts behind it and bring the criminals to justice. But has the report of that committee been published yet? The case didn't proceed further due to so called 'legal limitations'. This sort of injustice in the earlier incidents has paved the way for the horrific attacks at Ramu, Sathia, Ovoynagar etc. As the attackers know very well that the police will do nothing to them as they may share the booty with their tacit support. Sometimes the greed for more land prompts political leaders to instigate communal hatred against a particular community with false claims of insulting prophet Muhammad (Sm).

The fact is when a religious story has been tagged with this violence, the attackers enjoy immunity. In this case the police has to file charges with anonymous criminals and the cases never end with punishment meted out to the perpetrators. So in each case the existing laws have failed to prevent these communal assaults. In