

A STORY OF WOES AND WOUNDS

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orrential rain-triggered landslides and deaths are nothing new to us. Every year, at the beginning of the rainy season, the port city is

forced to face the same catastrophe. Due to encroachment and arbitrary hill cutting, at least 195 people were killed by landslides in

Chittagong from 2007 to 2015. The 2007 disaster was the deadliest of all landslides, as 127 people were buried alive by a massive one at their homes in Kaichchaghona, Lebubagan, Motijhorna and Kusumbagh. However, authorities are yet to learn a

lesson from the death toll.

To know more about the recurrence of such a disaster, driven by manmade degradation of the environment, read this week's spotlight on pages 8 and 9.

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