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Brahmanbaria's Nasirnagar upazila and vandalised 100 houses and 17 temples. They also looted what was a Facebook post on the wall of a Hindu fisherman. To instigate and mobilise people, the post was shared among Rasraj Das and Rashedul Hasan try to explain all this after talking to over 100 locals who are "convinced" that the role of AL lawmaker played a big role.

IN BRAHMANBARIA

## Not religion

ends, motives but people know who, why



PHOTO: FILE PHOTO

ed room of another priest at Goura Temple in Brahmanbaria's after the attack on the Hindus in the upazila.

## How attacks carried out

M ABUL KALAM AZAD and RASHIDUL HASAN

The grounds for the attack on the Hindus in Brahmanbaria were prepared in a remote bazaar on the bank of the Titus river on October 29, some 13km from the upazila headquarters which was at the centre of the hours-long mayhem the next day.

Who pulled the trigger? How was the ground created? And who were involved in the initial hours?

It was Jahangir Alam, 30, owner of Al-Amin Cyber Point and Studio at Horinber Bazar, who played an active role in inciting the locals against Rasraj Das, after a post appeared on the Hindu fisherman's Facebook wall demeaning Islam.

Alam, known as a rouged boy in the area, also gave provocative speeches about the post.

The Daily Star learnt this after talking with more than a

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## BPL final today

SPORTS REPORTER

After more than a month, the Bangladesh Premier League will end today with one of two teams -- Dhaka Dynamites and Rajshahi Kings -- holding aloft the trophy at the Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium in Mirpur tonight, expectedly under a sky lit up by a fireworks display.

The final is set to start at 5:45pm and will feature the ultimate frontrunners in Shakib Al Hasan's Dhaka and the fighting underdogs of Darren Sammy's Rajshahi. Much will likely depend on how the batsmen of each side fare in conditions that have so far not been conducive to high-scoring matches. In that respect, Dhaka will look to the likes of Evin Lewis, Mehedi Maruf and

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## 3 more youths go missing

Two of them contacted their families before leaving home for unknown reason

STAR REPORT

At least two of the nine youths, who disappeared in the last couple of weeks, have contacted their families but haven't mentioned why they went away.

Of the two, Niamatullah, 16, a madrasa student in Barisal's Agailjhara upazila, sent a message to his mother's mobile phone on Saturday, three days after he had gone missing. He asked his mother not to worry about him.

The other youth, Tanvir Ahmed, 21, a third-year student of Pabna Medical College, called his father Nur Alam, a government employee in Rangpur on November 30, and told him not to look for him.

He went missing from the college campus the same day, said Abdur Razzak, officer-in-charge of Pabna Police Station. The following day, Tanvir's childhood friend and

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Tanvir

Zakir



TOP! QUOTE

"Rohingya issue is a political problem, and it cannot be resolved militarily."

PRIME MINISTER  
SHEIKH HASINA  
PM'S PRESS SECRETARY IHSANUL KARIM QUOTED HER AS TELLING  
DANISH ENVOY MIKAEL HEMNITI  
WINNER AT HER OFFICE

## RIGHT TO SURVIVE



himself on a paddy field in Hakaluki Haor area of a says they have to do such inhuman labour only to feed

PHOTO: MINTU DESHWARA

NEWS ANALYSIS

## It's very much possible

Shining examples of consensus in our politics hold out hope for EC

SHAKHAWAT LITON

Formation of the new Election Commission on the basis of consensus among political parties is not an impossible task if the parties draw inspiration from the very examples they set in the past.

Politicians including Sheikh Hasina and Khaleda Zia who are now leading major parties have track record of forging consensus on important issues including formation of EC.

They did it by demonstrating their political wisdom and sagacity for the sake of restoration of parliamentary democracy in 1990s.

Take examples of some significant political consensus. After the fall of autocratic ruler General Ershad on December 6, 1990, they reached a consensus on formation of new EC to hold a free and fair parliamentary election held in February, 1991.

On the basis of consensus, a Supreme Court judge, Justice Abdur Rouf, was appointed as chief election commissioner and two SC judges -- Justice Syed Misbah Uddin Hossain and Justice Naimuddin Ahmed -- were made election commissioners.

An EC acceptable to all can ensure congenial electoral atmosphere and contribute to improvement of political culture too. The EC-led by Justice Rouf remains as an example of it.

On an initiative by the EC, an electoral code of conduct was finalised unanimously for political parties and candidates contesting the parliamentary election.

Representatives of as many as 67 political parties joined a dialogue organised by the EC on January 24, 1991 and accepted the code of conduct and reached an agreement that they would abide by the code of conduct in the run up to the election.

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