

## Divided, bruised US marks

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Yet 9/11 never fully went away. The Taliban who once sheltered bin Laden are back ruling Afghanistan. The mighty US military has been humiliated. In Guantanamo Bay, accused 9/11 mastermind Khalid Sheikh Mohammed and four other men continue to await trial, nine years after charges were filed.

Even the full story of how the attack came to happen remains secret. Only last week did Biden order the release of classified documents from the FBI investigation over the next six months. Meanwhile, according to rights advocates, Washington's "war on terror" has fuelled erosions in civil liberties and human rights worldwide.

Governments have used counter-terrorism as justification to tighten or pass laws to crack down on dissent and round up those deemed as a threat to national security, disproportionately targeting activists and minorities, according to rights groups.

"9/11 threw the privacy-security balance badly out of whack," said Steven Feldstein, a senior fellow at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in Washington. "Policymakers contended that fighting terrorism in whatever manner they deemed necessary took precedence over protecting citizens' rights."

"Governments took advantage of America's 9/11 anxiety and exploited the threat of terrorism to advance their own repressive agendas," he added.

About 20 years of post-9/11 wars have cost the United States more than \$8 trillion and caused about 900,000 deaths, according to estimates by the Costs of War project at Brown University, which said it did not factor in the "high societal costs".

At least 37 million people have fled their homes in the eight most violent

wars the US military has launched or participated in since 2001 - including Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, Libya and Yemen, according to the Costs of War project.

Same as every year, simple, heart-wrenching ceremonies will unfold at each of the three places where al-Qaeda hijackers crashed packed airliners, striking the cultural, financial and political hearts of the United States.

Ground Zero in New York was where the majority of the approximately 3,000 fatalities, including people from all over the world, were killed in the initial explosions, jumped to their deaths, or simply vanished in the inferno of the collapsing towers.

At the Pentagon, an airliner tore a fiery hole in the side of the superpower's military nerve center.

And in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, the third wave of hijackers crashed into a field after passengers fought back, sending United 93 down before reaching its intended target - likely the US Capitol building in Washington, a short flight further on.

Biden and First Lady Jill Biden will stop at each of these places today to "honor and memorialize the lives lost," the White House said.

Biden planned for this to be a pivotal day in his nearly eight-month presidency.

Taking over from Donald Trump in January, with the country still reeling from a Trump mob's assault on Congress, he promised Americans unity; exiting Afghanistan against the background of the 9/11 anniversary was going to be a big part of that.

However, instead of presiding over a moment of unity, Biden will traverse a country angry about the chaotic Kabul evacuation and stung by the broader realization of failure and defeat.

## Life-saving

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"Not all citizens have the ability to hire air-ambulances for critical patients. This [ICU] ambulance could have provided some hope for them," he said.

Shafi urged authorities to provide and subsidise high-end ambulance service to save lives.

The RMCH director said they talked with government high-ups and were directed to start operating the ambulance like a normal one. Whether the specialised equipment will be used during such operation remains to be known.

"We will launch the ambulance officially in seven days. If someone wants the ambulance before its launching, we will allow it to go on hire at normal rates," he added.

## Supply will

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The vaccine production is strengthened," said Hasan while sharing views with journalists at his residence yesterday morning over his recent two-day visit to India.

He described his September 7-8 visit as very fruitful. Alongside the inauguration of Bangabandhu Center at the Press Club of India in New Delhi, he held meetings with Indian external affairs minister, information minister, foreign secretary, journalists and researchers during, said a press release.

He said the inauguration of the Bangabandhu Center is a milestone in the relations of the two countries. A life-sized portrait of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman was installed there.

## Man beaten

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injured, he added.

On information, police rushed to the spot and took him to Dhaka Medical College Hospital in an unconscious state, he further said.

Ridoy died around 3:00am while being treated at the hospital. His body bore torture marks.

According to the police official, the law enforcers detained two men in connection with the incident and sent the body to DMCH morgue for autopsy.

## Pre-Viking gold

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"The find consists of a lot of gold items, including a medallion the size of a saucer," Ravn added.

## Dolphins in danger

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Bangladesh Forest Department too believes WCS' statistics and insights on cetacean deaths in our Bay of Bengal are the most accurate as they have kept meticulous data for the past 15 years.

Md Zahangir Alom, country representative of WCS, echoes Rubaiyat Mansur's opinion on dolphin mortalities.

"Dolphins are mammals and like us they drown if they cannot surface to breathe. Most of these deaths are caused by entanglement in fishing nets, particularly in gillnets (locally known as fash/sandi/iliish/sayen/current/poka/bhasa/bhadha/khuta jal) used to catch Hilsa fish," Zahangir says.

"The ban on hilsa fishing ends in June. So from July, when fishers go out to sea again, we start seeing more reports of dolphin deaths," he adds.

This indicates an almost direct relationship between Hilsa fishing and dolphin deaths.

WCS has been keeping count of dolphin mortalities reported in the media or over the WCS dolphin hotline since 2007. Within these nearly 15 years, a total of 274 dead cetaceans have been reported.

"For 130 of these animals, we were able to identify the cause of death," says Zahangir.

"At least 65 percent of these deaths were from gillnet entanglements," he adds. Fisherfolk use gillnets to catch hilsa fish.

According to WCS data, there have been 14 cetacean deaths in 2018, 11 in 2019, 31 in 2020 and 25 deaths in 2021 (from January to August).

For any and all species of dolphins, this many deaths is a cause for concern. According to Whale and Dolphin Conservation (WDC), a leading international charity that is dedicated to the protection of whales and dolphins, they virtually never have twins; they give birth to one baby at a time every one to six years depending on the species and individuals. The average time between babies for bottlenose dolphin mothers is two to three years.

There might be another reason behind the recent increase in reports of dolphin deaths.

According to Zahangir, there is notably more public awareness, partly due to WCS training programmes for journalists and many educational outreach programmes in coastal areas over the past years. So, there is likely also an increased interest in reporting such incidents.

"There is also more attention towards marine wildlife now, especially since the coronavirus hit and news reports made the rounds saying that dolphins had returned to Cox's Bazar," said Zahangir.

He does not believe that deaths have increased recently, and in fact says dolphins have been dying as incidental by-catch in this manner for a while.

## Bapa condemns

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Asian elephants, deer, Burmese pythons and birds. The lease was granted in violation of the national forest policy, forest law and the government's commitment to the international community to protect forest land, it read.

A quarter in the government is out to grab forest land. This practice has been wreaking havoc on already shrunk forest land, the statement alleged.

It is in no way acceptable. Forest land is being leased out for building structures. This decision will jeopardise the environment of Cox's Bazar, the statement warned.

recently -- some are quite small in size. And it may be the case that these are not natural deaths, but it cannot be said for sure."

And if we look at human-induced causes of deaths, there could be many reasons. "Dolphins, especially the ones that live near the shoreline are especially vulnerable to habitat degradation. The number of mechanised boats has increased as well and dolphins could get injured by a boat propeller, it could also be due to pollution, or due to entanglement in fishing nets or some disease even," Alifa says.

"I really think focus should be given on determining the cause of death by conducting a forensic investigation. This should not be tough as most places where dolphins have washed ashore have a forest department or fisheries office. The forest office could work in collaboration with a veterinary university to conduct the forensic study. That would give some concrete answers."

In the end, there are no conclusive answers until further studies say otherwise but for now, we need to take a more nuanced approach. We need to be more aware of where our fish is coming from, understand its connection to the sea, empower and build the capacity of fishers to ensure they release the mammal alive and overall reduce our pressure on the sea. That way at the very least, we can say with more clarity that these deaths are not caused by us.

For now, the water remains murky.

## What is post-Covid

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Scientifically, vertigo is the sensation where one might feel imbalanced. Simply put, vertigo can feel like the room is spinning. Many suffering from the condition may even lose consciousness.

Covid-19 is "neuroinvasive". More than 25 percent of people who were infected with Covid can develop neural problems. The virus can attack the sensors of our brain that keep us steady and can cause us to lose our balance.

Headaches and loss of sense of smell are all connected to the virus's neuroinvasive capacities. With vertigo as a long-haul symptom, it is believed Covid-19 might also be capable of attacking the system inside our ears responsible for maintaining our balance.

If you happen to experience vertigo after your episode with Covid, you might want to give yourself enough time to heal from the damages the virus has left behind. Consult your doctor, and they will be able to suggest exercises that can help the brain slowly rebuild its resilience.

Until the pandemic is over, taking proper precautions, getting vaccinated, wearing masks, and distancing are the only ways we can stay safe.

## Importance of free polls

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The UK commended Bangladesh for hosting the Rohingya who, in August 2017, fled atrocities by the Myanmar military.

The UK and Bangladesh reiterated their commitment to the goal of enabling the Rohingyas to return home in a safe, voluntary and dignified way as soon as the situation allows.

Both countries committed to working with the international community, including Asean and the UN, to resolve the crisis.

The two countries agreed to cooperate on global challenges such as conflict prevention, support for the

rules based international order, and countering terrorism.

The UK-Bangladesh Strategic Dialogue provides an important forum for a productive exchange of views across the entire breadth of bilateral relations, covering political and diplomatic relations, global and regional issues, economic and development partnerships, and security and defence.

The dialogue began with both sides welcoming the opportunity to meet in-person for the first time since 2019, particularly as this year marks 50 years of independence of Bangladesh.

## Only self-rule will satisfy

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Mushtaq Ahmed and Bangladesh High Commissioner to India M Hossain Ali. After his visit to the evacuee camp and his talks with Bangladesh leaders Professor Galbraith was convinced that only self-government would satisfy the people of Bangladesh.

**US ASKS YAHYA TO FACILITATE EVACUEE'S RETURN**  
The USA urged the Government of Pakistan to make every effort to create conditions that would lead to the return of Bangladesh refugees to their homes, the US Secretary of State William Rogers told the Congress. Rogers gave this assurance while making a request for the Congress's approval of economic assistance to Pakistan for development purposes "without restrictions".

**ON THE WAR FRONT**  
In the Dhaka-Cumilla-Chattogram sector, Mukti Bahini today destroyed the railway bridge between Manikkhali-Sararchar disrupting railway communication. Another group of Mukti Bahini ambushed the Pakistani patrol in Kalikapur killing five enemy troops and injuring 10.

In Kushtia-Jessore-Khulna sector, Mukti Bahini raided Pakistani positions in Sikri, killing five Pakistani troops **RED CROSS RESUMES WORK IN BANGLADESH**  
The International Red Cross resumed relief work in East Pakistan. An official of the League of Red Cross informed that the Red Cross was now doing relief work not only among those hit by last year's cyclone, but also victims of army atrocities. The Red Cross had suspended its relief operations in East Pakistan at the time of the army crackdown.

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**সংশোধনী বিজ্ঞপ্তি**

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