

Two killed in fresh violence

Worker dies during clash in Habiganj, policeman beaten to death in Khulna

STAR REPORT

After nearly two weeks of eerie calm, violence erupted again yesterday as police aided by ruling party members clashed with protesters in the capital and several other districts, leaving at least two dead and almost 150 injured. In Habiganj, a labourer died after he was caught in the middle of a clash while police said a constable died after he was assaulted by protesters in Khulna. Clashes took place in Uttara in the capital, Sylhet, Khulna, Narsingdi, Chattogram and Noakhali during processions of the "student movement against discrimination".

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Thousands of students, cultural activists and the general public took part in yesterday's programme defying rain to press home their demand for justice for the recent killings centring the quota reform protests and immediate release of detainees.

The country witnessed violence on an unprecedented scale from July 16 to July 21 as agitators and law enforcers, Border Guard Bangladesh members, and ruling party activists clashed. Over 200 people were killed and thousands injured, many with gunshot wounds.

In Khulna yesterday, Metropolitan Police Commissioner Mozammel Haque said a constable named Suman Gharami died after agitators beat him up. Police members found him with a serious head injury in Gallamari in the evening.

They rushed him to the nearby Khulna City Medical College Hospital, police said.

The hospital authorities said Suman was pronounced dead after he was brought there.

Three other policemen -- Mazharul Islam, Sohanur Rahman Sohag and Soumen -- are being treated there.

In Habiganj, Mostaq Ahmed, a 24-year-old labourer, died after he was caught in a clash between protesting students and police in the afternoon.

Locals said Mostaq, who was from Sylhet Tukur Bazar area, was shot when went to the town to buy shoes.

Moyeen Uddin Chowdhury, resident medical officer of Habiganj 250-bed Hospital, said Mostaq died at the hospital due to excessive bleeding from his arm.

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Protesters throng the capital's Central Shaheed Minar yesterday afternoon demanding justice for those killed during the quota reform protests. *Top right*, police block the Garib-E-Newaz Avenue in Uttara to stop the demonstrators from moving towards the Dhaka-Mymensingh highway. *Bottom right*, students chant slogans as they march in a procession at the Science Lab intersection. PHOTO: PALASH KHAN, ANISUR RAHMAN

Protesters take to the streets across country

Demand justice for killings in recent violence over quota protests, release of the detainees

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Thousands of people from a wide spectrum of life demonstrated in Dhaka and elsewhere in the country demanding justice for those killed in the recent violence and release of the arrestees and detainees.

Students, teachers, guardians, lawyers, doctors, cultural activists, and citizens staged protests as part of the mass procession called by the Anti-Discrimination Student Movement.

Protesters blocked roads in the capital's Uttara, Science Lab and Mirpur-10 intersections, Aftabnagar and Shahbagh.

Several thousand people, chanting slogans demanding resignation of the government, took out a massive procession from in front of the Jatiya Press Club after holding a brief rally around 3:00pm. The procession ended at

the Central Shaheed Minar after marching through different streets.

Protests were also held in Chattogram, Khulna, Sylhet, Habiganj, Barishal, Bhola, and several other districts. Demonstrators blocked highways in

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In Dhaka, a group of students, teachers and parents held a protest rally in front of the Rajuk Uttara Model College around 10:00am.

Speaking at the programme, HSC examinee Sajjadur Rahman said, "What offence had been committed by my brother Mughdho? What was the fault of that girl child who was

standing on the balcony? Why did so many innocent people die? Why were they killed brutally? We want justice for every single murder."

Hundreds of protesters gathered at the Science Lab intersection around 2:00pm and blocked a lane of the Mirpur Road for about an hour. They marched between the Science Lab intersection and Shahbagh.

Several hundred students and ordinary people blocked the Mirpur-10 intersection after Juma prayers, causing disruption in traffic for about an hour.

Students demonstrated in ECB Chattar of Kalshi in the afternoon demanding justice for the recent killings and release of the detained teachers and students.

Students of East West University took out a procession at Aftabnagar around 11:30pm. The procession

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Thousands join march for justice

Call for govt's resignation

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They came in thousands. From students to teachers, guardians with children, lawyers, civil society members, and political activists -- all gathered to join "Droho Jatra" in front of the Jatiya Press Club seeking justice for those killed during the recent violence.

Braving rain and holding placards, they shouted anti-government slogans.

They also announced a mas procession at 3:00pm tomorrow to press home their one-point demand -- resignation of the Sheikh Hasina-led government.

At the press club, Prof Anu Muhammad, a former teacher of Jahangirnagar University, addressed a huge gathering.

"...We don't want anything from this government. We must hold the government accountable and ensure justice. Those who were arrested must be freed, and the filing of cases and suppression must stop, and the curfew must be withdrawn."

"To ensure these, the government must resign. People have to take back the control of the country. Now the main agenda is how to make the democratic transition. People from all walks of life must unite and work to ensure this."

The "Droho Jatra" was called by a group of students and teachers, cultural organisations, and civil society

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A police vehicle in flames in Khulna city's Gallamari area yesterday evening after a clash broke out there between police and quota reform protesters. The clash left a cop dead and at least 10 other people injured. PHOTO: COLLECTED

Protesters call for non-cooperation movement

To stage demo across the country today

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The organisers of the Anti-Discrimination Student Movement, who spearheaded the quota reform protests, said yesterday that they will go for a countrywide non-cooperation movement starting tomorrow, to protest the recent killings and press home their nine-point demand.

They will also stage demonstrations across the country today.

Mahin Sarker, one of the coordinators of the platform, announced the programmes via a WhatsApp message around 8:00pm.

The platform urged all to join their programmes to make them successful.

Minutes after uploading the statement, Mahin said they would make some corrections to the

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Today is the 11th Death Anniversary of **Sobera Ahmed Rizvi (Rita)**

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