## Violence against women rises by 27pc in September Says report of Mahila Parishad

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Violence against women and children saw a significant rise in September, with reported cases rising by almost 27 percent compared to August, said a report by Bangladesh Mahila Parishad.

The total number of victims increased from 147 to 186. A total of 72 girls under the age of 18, alongside 114 adult women, encountered different forms of violence. The numbers were 51 and 96, respectively, in the previous month.

The report, "Statistics of Violence Against Women and Girl Children: September 2024," was made public yesterday. It was formed based on reports published in 16 daily newspapers from September.

As per the report, incidents of rape increased from eight to 13, with three of these resulting in the killing

Gang rape cases also rose, affecting 11 individuals five girls and six women -- up from seven cases in the previous month.

Additionally, five girls and nine women took their own lives in September, compared to four girls and seven women in August.

Overall, 49 were killed for various reasons, which is 19 more than August. The report also said the number of mysterious murders also doubled, rising from 12 to 27 cases. While no attempted child marriages were reported, one child marriage did occur. Meanwhile, dowry-related violence claimed a woman's life.

#### Miscreants set fire to Lalon **Anand Dham**

OUR CORRESPONDENT, Faridpur

Miscreants set fire to and vandalised Lalon Anand Dham in Motra village, Bhanga upazila of Faridpur yesterday afternoon.

The attack occurred around 3:00pm, said Md Mokchedur Rahman, officer-in-charge Bhanga Police Station.

2013 Established in by Syed Zahid Hasan, an assistant professor of Bangla at Sadarpur Government College, the cultural centre has faced repeated threats.

According to Syed, unidentified attackers had previously damaged CCTV cameras. The compound is enclosed, but the attackers climbed a tree to gain entry. They gathered books and musical instruments from various rooms and set them alight.

Radical groups have long targeted the centre, and on September 12, threats were posted on Facebook, he said.

A case has been filed, the

## Family goes into hiding after shrine attack

**OUR CORRESPONDENT, Savar** 

Sufi Mawlana Kazi Afsar Uddin was buried at his home in the Chakulia area of Savar after his death in 2008. His grave was transformed into a shrine afterwards.

Currently, the caretaker of the shrine is his son, Sufi Kazi Jaber Al Jahangir.

On Sunday night, the family's home, situated on the shrine premises, was attacked.

Around 10:00pm, hundreds surrounded the family's home, igniting fires at the gate and a motorcycle while vandalising the doors and windows, alleging that the shrine was "anti-religion".

The family had continuously called for assistance during the assault and even informed law enforcers. The Facebook lives that they shared showed that mobs hurled brick chips at their home and tried to enter the premises.

Yet, help arrived after three long hours in the form of police and

They eventually dispersed the crowd and reportedly gave the

their home and seek shelter at a

In their absence, reports surfaced of further looting at the shrine and their residence yesterday.

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> KAZI GOLAM RASUL Son of Kazi Afsar Uddin

Kazi Golam Rasul, son of Kazi Afsar Uddin, said, "The attack was announced beforehand; we informed the police accordingly, vet law enforcers arrived after three hours. They [ attackers] could have

Golam Rasul identified key instigators, including the imam of Chakulia Mosque and the khatib of family an ultimatum to pack and Gandaria Madrasa, Emdadul Haq, time being."

The family was forced to abandon Rahman, Tipu Khan, and Atik Khan.

"When the police and army finally arrived, they gave us just 30 minutes to gather our belongings and leave," he said. "We have committed no crime. We simply wish to live according to our beliefs and stay in our home," Rasul said.

"This morning [yesterday], when some of our associates went to check on the house, they were attacked. One person is in a critical condition. Looting has taken place at our home today [yesterday] in our absence. If the law enforcement agencies could have provided us with full security, we could have stayed in our house," he added.

Attempts to reach the alleged perpetrators for comments were unsuccessful.

Jewel Rana, officer-in-charge of Savar Model Police Station, said, "We provided sufficient security to the family and successfully brought the mob under control. The family is currently not feeling comfortable residing at their home, which is why they are staying elsewhere for the

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#### Poly bags banned in superstores from today

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The banning of polythene and poly-propylene shopping bags be enforced across all superstores in the country starting today.

Environment, Forest, and Climate Change Adviser Sveda Rizwana Hasan made an announcement in this regard on September 9.

Rizwana will visit some super shops in Dhanmondi to monitor activities today, said a ministry press release.

#### Hold local govt polls before nat'l election

Says GM Quader STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Jatiyo Party Chairman Quader vesterday demanded that the interim government hold local government polls before the holding national election.

"This way we will be able to know how much reform has taken place and whether the election will be free and fair," he said while speaking at a programme at his office in the capital's

He said his party has confidence in the interim government.

After the country was freed from autocracy, a certain group started spreading propaganda against JP, he said.

GM Quader also said JP was forced to participate in the last national election due to pressure created by the Awami League.

#### 44 deaths in mob violence

involved in these incidents. In a separate issue, MSF reported that, for the first time in Bangladesh, a shrine was attacked public announcement. In several locations, multiple shrine structures were demolished bulldozers, deeply offended religious sentiments.

In districts such as Dhaka, Sirajganj, Gazipur, Noakhali, Sylhet, Cumilla, Chattogram, Narayanganj, and Shariatpur, 12 incidents vandalism, looting, and arson at

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shrines were reported.

These attacks left one person dead and 43 others iniured.

However, authorities claim that over 50 such incidents, large and small, have occurred nationwide, according to the MSF.

MSF shrines should not be seen merely as religious In of cultural heritage. The organisation called on the interim government to take permanent measures

to protect these sites. Despite the political

INVITATION TO SUBMIT EOI

Save the Children International (SCI) Bangladesh country office is hereby inviting Expression of Interest (EoI)

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extrajudicial changes, killings and incidents of gunfights have continued, MSF said, raising further shrine concerns. In September, three indigenous citizens were killed by army gunfire,

MSF said. report highlighted deaths due stressed that to torture during law enforcement operations. September, sites, but as integral parts people died as a result of such torture during joint operations, with two others critically injured.

MSF called for impartial investigations into all such

## Ex-MP Sultan

Tonmoy said Monsur was directly involved with the killing. Monsur told the court that he went abroad in May this year. He was implicated in the case just for harassing him. So, he appealed to the court to cancel the remand prayer and grant him bail.

On September 14, Abbas Ali, a former member of JCD central committee, filed the murder case with Paltan Model Police Station against people, including Awami League's top leaders, several police officials, and 12,000 unnamed people.

Monsur was once a vice president of Dhaka Central University Students' Union (Ducsu).

was elected as lawmaker in 1996 from League. During Awami political change over in 2007-08, differences surfaced between him and his party as he sought reform in the party. In the 2018 general election, he contested from Moulvibazar-2 as a candidate of the BNP-led Jativa Oikva Front and won the seat.

## Need national consensus

Alldemocraticinstitutions should be allowed to work independently to move the country forward, he

Shameem Haider Patwary, chairman of DIU Board of Trustees and a Jatiyo Party leader, said there is no provision in the constitution for how the revolution will be adjusted. The previous government made the constitution

he added. Abdul Latif Masum of Jahangirnagar

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University said a national consensus is needed in the country to rewrite the constitution. However, it is difficult to come to a consensus, he added. Gono Odhikar Parishad

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Andolon; and former Shariful director of BCGD; and Katie Croake, chief of at Counterpart International, also spoke at the event, among

#### India returns 20,000 An Indian government

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several occasions.

In 2023, Bangladesh accounted for the highest number of foreign visitors to India, with at least 1.6 million visas issued to Bangladeshi nationals, 4,50,000 including medical visas.

Since Bangladesh lacks diplomatic missions for several countries, including some in Europe, many seek to obtain nationals

source said most applicants travel for business and that urgent requests are being considered.

With the Durga Puja festival approaching, there has been an increase in visa applications.

Concerns have been raised that restrictions on travel could negatively impact markets in Kolkata as many Bangladeshi nationals typically visit West Bengal during this time.

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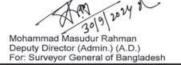
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everything possible to prevent child abuse. She called for a safer

across Bangladesh, stating, "We must build the future of Bangladesh based on the dreams of our girl children. In that future, there will be playgrounds, schools near their homes, and they will sing, dance, and move freely."

Nazma Mobarek, secretary of the ministry, reiterated the importance educating and protecting girls. Citing Napoleon Bonaparte's famous words -- "Give me an educated mother, and I will give you an educated nation" -- she highlighted the need to ensure that girls receive proper education, nutrition, and protection to secure their future.

Badiul Majumdar, president of the National Girl Child Advocacy Forum, said the August 5 uprising had opened new possibilities for the country, stressing the need to create a safer Bangladesh for girls.

He urged everyone to contribute, stating that while girls should focus on acquiring knowledge and developing skills, it is the responsibility of government bodies, NGOs, and parents to provide an environment that supports their full potential. Keya Khan, director

general of the Department Women Affairs, emphasised the need for both society and the state to fully support girls in realising their dreams. Khan called for a change

in societal attitudes to

ensure respect and dignity

for women and girls.

Tania Khan stressed the importance of raising awareness about discrimination against girls future for women and girls and ensuring their safety and opportunities for growth. Save the Children Acting Country Director Reefat Bin Sattar highlighted child marriage as a major barrier to girls' progress.

As part of the celebration, a cultural programme featuring performances by children followed the discussion.

Two documentaries were also screened, one focused on girls' perspectives on the future of Bangladesh, and the other paid tribute to the late Nasima Akter Jolly, former Secretary of the National Girl Child Advocacy Forum, highlighting her contributions and legacy.

#### Media reform

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address challenges faced by a free press, others express concerns that the commission might lead to increased regulation and restrictions, he added.

Не acknowledged the fear among some stakeholders emphasised the necessity of collaboration to create a framework for reform.

Nahid also said the interim government aims to establish the commission based on democratic aspirations, viewing laws not as control mechanisms but as guidelines for the media landscape.

The seminar was also attended by Bangladeshi academics from US-based universities and renowned Bangladeshi journalists.

#### গণপ্রজাতন্ত্রী বাংলাদেশ সরকার

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