

## B'BARIA VIOLENCE

### Another victim dies, death toll rises to two

OUR CORRESPONDENT, B'baria

A youth, who was critically injured in a series of attacks and counterattacks between two rival gangs in Nabinagar upazila of Brahmanbaria on Saturday, died yesterday, raising the incident's death toll to two.

The deceased, Yasin, from Alamnagar village in Nabinagar municipality, succumbed to his injuries around dawn while undergoing treatment at Dhaka Medical College Hospital, said his brother Shaheen.

Shipon Mia, 30, son of Monnaf Mia also known as "Manek Dakat" from Thollakandi village, died on Saturday, the night of the incident.

Quoting locals, Shahinur Islam, officer-in-charge of Nabinagar Police Station, said the first attack took place around 9:00pm on Saturday at a roadside eatery near Gani Shah Mazar in Barikandi union.

Shipon was chatting with others when a group of armed men stormed in, opened fire and fled the scene immediately.

Shipon and two restaurant employees, Yasin, 20, and Nur Alam, 18, were shot.

According to locals, there has been a long-standing dispute between the two gangs over control of the area's criminal activities.

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## HABIGANJ SADAR HOSPITAL

# Patients fall prey to theft gangs, broker syndicates

MINTU DESHWARA, Moulvibazar

Broker syndicates and theft gangs have been operating at Habiganj 250-bed District Sadar Hospital for years, leaving patients and their attendants in constant fear and distress.

Service seekers alleged that brokers, in collusion with some hospital staffers, often harass visitors to lure them into private clinics while demanding extra money. Thieves take advantage of the chaos to steal wallets, phones, and other valuables from visitors.

Last week, Abdul Kuddus from Baniachong brought his wife to the hospital for treatment. Within minutes, his wallet, containing cash, ID cards, and important papers, was gone. "I didn't even notice when it happened. Now I'm in deep trouble," he said.

Sumona Akter from Chunarughat said her mobile phone was stolen while she was standing in a queue for a doctor's appointment.

"A man approached me, offering help with my serial, and soon after my phone vanished," she said.

Subhan Mia, a local shop owner, said the syndicates operate openly both inside and around the hospital. They demand bribes to speed up treatment, lure poor patients into costly private



facilities, and collaborate with nearby pharmacies and diagnostic centres for hefty commissions.

According to the hospital authorities, records show that in 2018 the hospital management committee formed a sub-committee to evict brokers. In

February 2019, a list of 28 identified brokers -- including individuals from Habiganj town, Baniachong, and Chunarughat -- was publicly released. Yet, years later, the problem persists.

"The situation has worsened recently. We received numerous complaints from victims. Acting on a tip-off, we conducted a raid at the hospital on October 29 and detained nine brokers," said Shah Alam, company commander of Rab-9 (CPC-3).

Executive Magistrate Md Mohsin Miah said they are continuing their drives against brokers.

Dr Aminul Haque Sarkar, superintendent of the hospital, admitted the problem. "Some brokers have been caught, but many others are still operating. A coordinated effort from everyone is needed to completely eliminate them. If we receive any specific complaint against any doctor or staff member, we will take legal action."

## Safeguard national unity, peace

### Hindu leaders urge govt

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Hindu community leaders yesterday expressed concern over recent incidents of misinformation, threats, and harassment targeting ISKCON Bangladesh and other religious minorities.

They urged the government to take effective measures to safeguard national unity and peace and called upon citizens to stand united against divisive forces.

They came up with the call at a joint press conference organised by several Hindu religious organisations in Dhaka.

Charu Chandra Das Brahmachari, general secretary of ISKCON, read out the written statement at the event.

He said that certain groups with vested interest are deliberately spreading falsehoods, rumours, and propaganda against ISKCON and the Hindu community in an attempt to disrupt Bangladesh's longstanding tradition of religious harmony and social cohesion.

ISKCON is being falsely portrayed on social media as a "militant" and "extremist" organisation, he added.

Three specific demands were placed before the authorities: swift legal action against those involved in inciting communal violence, enhanced security for all temples and religious institutions, and strict monitoring of social media to curb the spread of provocative misinformation.

## 15 injured in BNP factional clash

A CORRESPONDENT, Jhenaidah

At least 15 people were injured in a clash between two factions of the local BNP in Jhenaidah yesterday, reportedly over control of a local market.

The incident occurred around 8:30am at Kalamankhali Bazar in Dogachi union.

Of the injured, 10 were admitted to Jhenaidah Sadar Hospital, while the others received first aid.

Locals said there had been a longstanding dispute between the supporters of district BNP Vice-President and former UP chairman Asad Chowdhury and those of Masud Joardar, a leader of Arafat Rahman Koko Sports Council, over establishing supremacy in the Kalamankhali area.

Asad Chowdhury said, "Masud's men beat up our supporter Amirul a few days ago and broke his leg. Later, they took control of the market. This morning, they came again and shut down all the shops, which led to the clash."

However, Masud, joint convener of the Jhenaidah Sadar upazila committee of Arafat Rahman Koko Sports Council, denied the allegations.

District BNP President MA Majid said, "The dispute between the two groups is rooted in a longstanding social animosity, not political issues."

Jhenaidah Sadar Police Station Inspector (Operations) Shamsuzzoha said on information, police rushed to the scene and brought the situation under control.

## Defamation case filed against Patwari

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

National Citizen Party Chief Coordinator Nasiruddin Patwari has been sued for allegedly making defamatory comments about BNP and one of the senior leaders of its youth front, Jubo Dal.

Kazi Mukituzzaman, a Jubo Dal leader, filed the defamation case with the court of Dhaka Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Md Zakir Hossain, said Mahadi Hasan Jewel, a lawyer for the complainant.

After recording the complainant's statement, the magistrate directed the Detective Branch of Dhaka Metropolitan Police to investigate the case and submit a report to the court, the lawyer added.

According to the case documents, Nasiruddin made the remarks while addressing a programme held at Shaheed Shamsul Alam Hall of BMA Auditorium in Dhaka around 6:22pm on November 1.

Quoting Nasiruddin, the case statement reads: "A major party is acting like a bully over the July charter."

The statement goes on to quote Nasiruddin saying that there's a leader in Dhaka city named Nayan (belonging to BNP's youth front) who has made so much money through extortion and corruption that he alone could fund a referendum.



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## 190 Bangladeshis fired

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Over the past two years, since 2023, Mediceram workers have gone on strike multiple times, demanding payment of unpaid wages and recruitment fees.

Even Expatriates' Welfare Adviser Asif Nazrul had visited the workers in May and assured them their problems would be resolved.

"We had unpaid salary and visa renewal issues for many months. Eventually, the company renewed visas for nearly 90 workers but not for the rest," said another worker.

Around 90 others continued facing problems as their visas were not renewed despite the company's promise. "So, we went on strike from October 23," he added.

Malaysia-based migrant rights groups -- Workers' Solidarity Network, Socialis Alternative and Angkatan Kesatuan Siswa Socialis -- issued a joint statement condemning the company's actions and demanding an end to the unlawful forced deportation.

They said the migrant workers were subjected to "slave-like conditions", with confiscated passports,

delayed salaries, unrenewed visas and frequent threats from employers.

The statement said Mediceram has faced similar allegations since 2017.

Between 2022 and 2024, around 4.5 lakh Bangladeshis were recruited in Malaysia but were charged Tk 4.5 lakh to Tk 6 lakh, leaving many in debt and unemployed.

The statement said Mediceram workers had organised eight or nine protests over the years, and each time the employer made promises to settle outstanding debts and meet the workers' demands -- promises that were repeatedly broken.

"Even the involvement of government agencies has failed to bring meaningful pressure or decisive action to resolve the workers' claims," it said.

The situation worsened on September 30 when immigration officers raided the factory and detained about 90 workers for allegedly not having valid visas.

"In reality, all of them were legal employees, but the company failed to renew their visas," the statement

added.

Although recruitment fees were reimbursed on October 27, the company has yet to return the workers' passports or renew their visas.

On October 31, all were terminated and told to prepare for deportation, accused of being absent without reason.

"This is a blatant distortion of the truth," the statement said, calling for immediate reinstatement of the workers, return of their passports and renewal of their visas. "Mediceram must take full legal responsibility for its obligations," it added.

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01	1165507	JBPLC/DODS/OTM-01/Computer-10/2025	Tender for Procurement of Desktop Computer (Without Monitor) and Monitor (Supply, Installation & Commissioning) for Janata Bank PLC., Divisional Office, Dhaka-South, Dhaka.	17/11/2025 12:00 PM

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