

Violence Against Religious Minorities in Bangladesh

A Forensic Synthesis of the 2025 Incident Dashboard

Bagerhat	13	Bagerhat District, Shoronkhola Upazila, South Khali Union	January 3, 2025, late night
	135	Bagerhat District, Mongla Sundarban Union Upazila	March 24, 2025, morning
	251	District: Bagerhat Upazila: Sadar	June 19, 2025
	417	District: Bagerhat Upazila: [illegible]	14 October 2025
Description of Incident		Source of Information	
Miscreants broke into the lock of Robin Kiron's family temple in Chontabbuna village (Kopaila Union) and other valuable worship items.		Bangla Times.com, January 4, 2025	
BNP ward president Jiya Sheikh and [illegible] occupied 10-15 bigha fish enclosure of [illegible] in Burburya village, looted fish. Assaulted [illegible] to Mongla.		Dainik Bhorer Pata, Ekushey Sangbad.com, March 24, 2025	
In Karapara area, 8-10 dacoits out through grills and entered [illegible] in mother Puriima Siha, held Pradeep Kumar Saha and looted [illegible]		Swadhin Alo, June 20, 2025	
Date Range: January 1 – December 31, 2025		[illegible] 00 taka cash, and	
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Police recovered the decomposed body of mason Biswama Sumanta Biswas (45), son of late Satishchandra on Tuesday

FORENSIC REPORT: TARGETED ATROCITIES & SYSTEMATIC RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

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[REDACTED SOURCE A]



KILLINGS & ABDUCTIONS

Lethal violence and forced disappearances targeting community figures and youth.

[REDACTED SOURCE A]

LOCATION: MULTIPLE REGIONS
STATUS: ONGOING INVESTIGATION

02

[REDACTED SOURCE A]



WEAPONIZATION OF GENDER

Rape and sexual assault systematically used to terrorize marginalized families.

[REDACTED SOURCE A]

LOCATION: MULTIPLE REGIONS
STATUS: ONGOING INVESTIGATION

03

[REDACTED SOURCE B]



THE BLASPHEMY TRAP

Digital framing via hacked or fake social media to incite mob violence and state arrest.

[REDACTED SOURCE A]

LOCATION: MULTIPLE REGIONS
STATUS: ONGOING INVESTIGATION

04

[REDACTED SOURCE A]



CULTURAL ERASURE

Organized desecration, looting, and demolition of centuries-old temples and viharas.

[REDACTED SOURCE A]

LOCATION: MULTIPLE REGIONS
STATUS: ONGOING INVESTIGATION

05

[REDACTED SOURCE A]



ECONOMIC DISENFRANCHISEMENT

Extortion, armed robbery, and systematic termination of minority professionals.

[REDACTED SOURCE A]

LOCATION: MULTIPLE REGIONS
STATUS: ONGOING INVESTIGATION

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LAND GRABBING

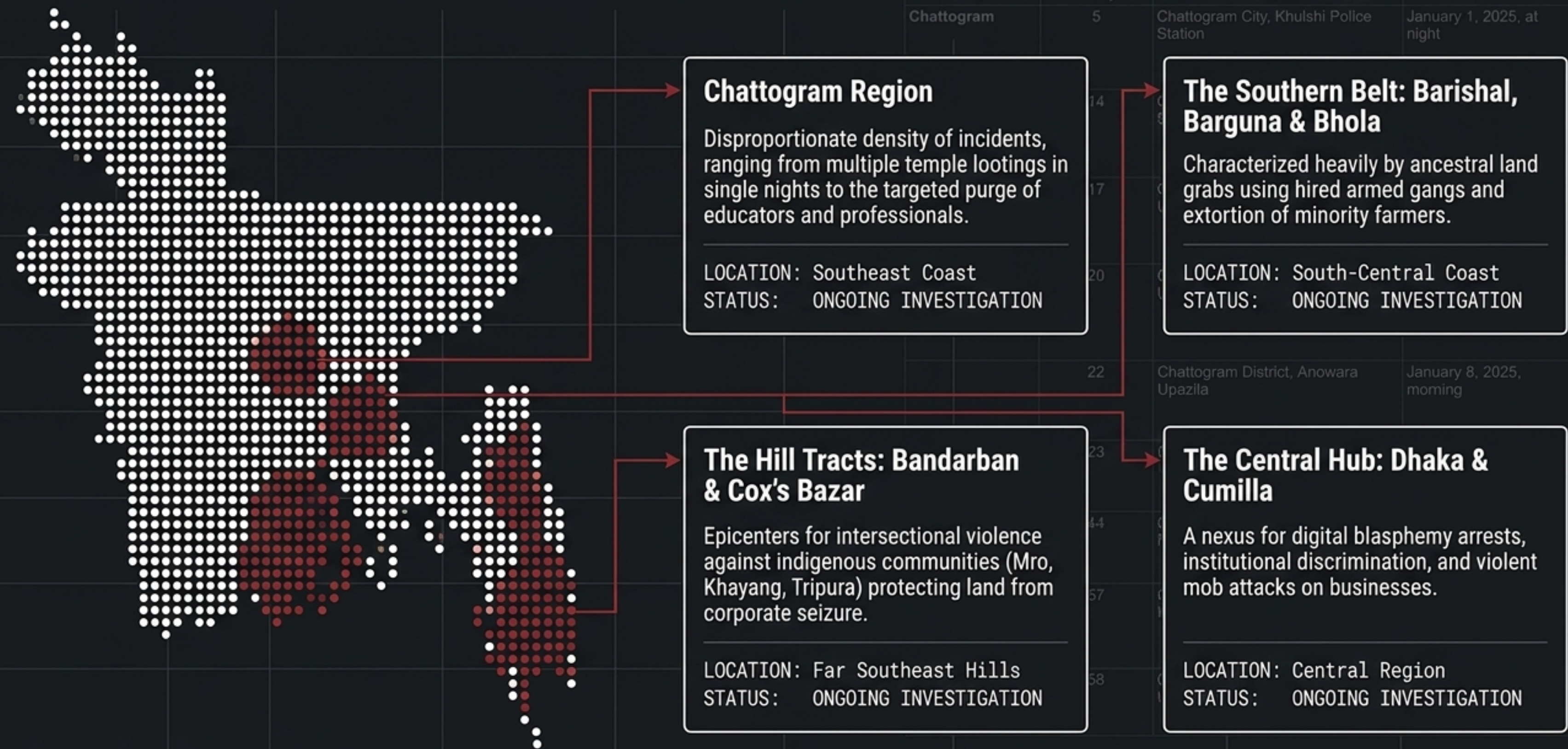
Violent encroachment on ancestral homes, farmland, and sacred cremation grounds via forged deeds.

[REDACTED SOURCE A]

LOCATION: MULTIPLE REGIONS
STATUS: ONGOING INVESTIGATION

FORENSIC REPORT: GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF TARGETED VIOLENCE (2025)

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FORENSIC REPORT: PILLAR I: THE PHYSICAL TOLL

FEB 15, 2025

APR 12, 2025

AUG 21, 2025

TARGETED PROFESSIONAL



Victim: Shuman Kumar Pal (40), bKash agent.

Location: Dhaka / **Origin:** Patuakhali

Date: Feb 15, 2025

Details: Hammered on the head and brutally murdered in broad daylight. Locals suspect targeted killing beyond mere robbery.

[REDACTED SOURCE A]

TRIVIAL ESCALATION



Victim: Nipun Saha (24), Hindu youth.

Location: Chuadanga

Date: April 12, 2025

Details: Hacked fatally by miscreants near a town football ground following a trivial local dispute. Died in ICU.

[REDACTED SOURCE A]

CUSTODIAL DEATH



Victim: Durjoy Chowdhury (27)

Location: Cox's Bazar

Date: August 21, 2025

Details: Handed to police over a forged check allegation. Subjected to 10-12 days of pressure, found dead in custody. Police claimed suicide by hanging.

[REDACTED SOURCE A]

PILLAR II: WEAPONIZING GENDER

THE INTERSECTION OF VULNERABILITY

Target: Khayang Indigenous Mother of 3 (29)

Location: Bandarban | **Date:** May 3, 2025

Incident: Gang raped and murdered while planting paddy alone. Body dumped in a construction drain. She had previously reported harassment by local men.

THE URBAN AMBUSH

Target: Pregnant Sanatan Woman

Location: Dhaka Sadarghat | **Date:** March 8, 2025

Incident: Lured by a gang with promises of shelter; gang raped in an abandoned building in Pangaon Rishipara. Admitted to ICU in critical condition.

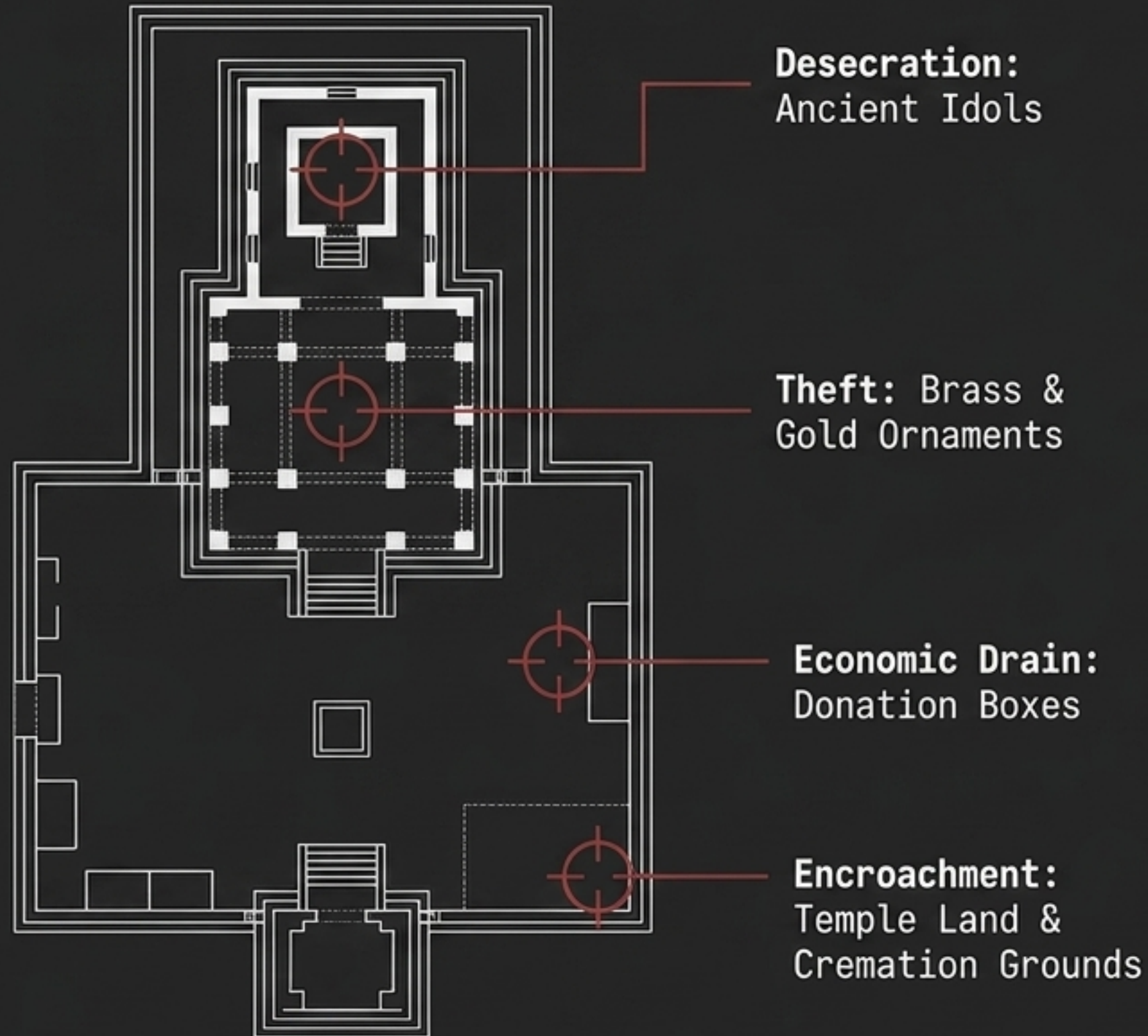
THE BRAZEN ABDUCTION

Target: Sangita Sutradhar (35) & daughter Mithi (7)

Location: Chattogram | **Date:** June 4, 2025

Incident: Stopped by an unknown woman while returning from coaching, then abducted into a black microbus on the highway.

PILLAR III: CULTURAL ERASURE



DEMOLITION

A 150-year-old Durga Temple was **demolished** under cover of night in **Barishal**; ancient idols were dumped into the **Palradi River** to facilitate a land grab.

SYNCHRONIZED LOOTING

Four distinct temples (two public, two family) were looted on the **exact same** night in **Haildhar Union, Chattogram**.

ERASURE OF HERITAGE

Miscreants broke into an ancient Buddhist **vihara** in **Cumilla**, stealing a century-old octagonal alloy idol and five copper statues.

ANATOMY OF A TEMPLE ATTACK

	DESECRATION & TERROR	ECONOMIC LOOTING	SACRED LAND GRABBING
TACTIC	Destruction of sacred objects to inflict psychological harm .	Stripping temples of liquid assets to impoverish the community .	Permanent seizure of communal property .
EVIDENCE	Arson attack on century-old Bodhi tree and tilak of the Bihar Buddha idol (Chattogram); idols stripped of clothing and tridents stolen (Damrai).	Donation boxes smashed and gold crowns stolen (Khurushkul Rasbihari Temple); repeated theft of electrical meters and water motors (Cumilla).	Encroachment on the century-old Loknath Sebashram cremation ground using administrative cover (Brahmanbaria); illegal dredgers destroying South Kali Temple land (Cumilla).

PILLAR IV: THE BLASPHEMY TRAP

01. THE FABRICATION

A fake Facebook profile is created using a minority citizen's name, or their account is hacked.

02. THE MANUFACTURED POST

Inflammatory content targeting Islam is posted to trigger immediate communal outrage.

VICTIMS OF THE TRAP

- Pranta Samaddar (Patharghata)
- Biddhan Chandra Das (Adabor)
- Trisha Das (Cumilla)

04. STATE COMPLICITY

Instead of investigating the digital forgery, police arrest the minority victim to appease the mob.

03. THE MOB MOBILIZATION

Local leaders organize rapid blockades, protests, and demands for the minority individual's execution.

PILLAR V: ECONOMIC DISENFRANCHISEMENT

PAPER FORGERY & INSTITUTIONAL COMPLICITY

Case: A forgery gang created fake namjari (mutation) deeds to sell 53 sataks of prime Hindu land in Chapainwabganj. The record owners' tax payments were entirely ignored.

MINORITY ANCESTRAL LAND

PHYSICAL TERROR & HIRED GANGS

Case 1: 50-60 hired thugs with local weapons harvested 67 sataks of ripe paddy at night from Hindu farmer Subhas Chandra Paik (Barguna).

Case 2: BNP leader Sabur Member and 30-40 terrorists cut down trees worth 5 million taka from an ancestral property in Barishal; the local UNO took no action.

THE EXTORTION & CORPORATE SQUEEZE

CORPORATE LAWFARE AGAINST INDIGENOUS DEFENDERS

Location: Bandarban

Actor: Rubber Industries Ltd.

When locals formed a land protection committee to demand the cancellation of a 1996 rubber cultivation lease, the corporation filed false legal cases against them, resulting in the arrest of indigenous youth leaders.

DAYLIGHT RETAIL EXTORTION

Location: Dhaka / Cumilla / Cox's Bazar

Mechanism: Armed robbery functioning as localized taxation.

Evidence: 70 bhorì of gold looted from jeweler Sajol Rajbanshi in Dhaka; 3 million taka in goods/cash cleared out of Qatar expat Badon Jal Dash's home in Chattogram; an elderly minority shopkeeper tortured with boiling ghee by an AL donor in Maheshkhali.

THE PURGE OF PROFESSIONALS

**Headmaster
Chandan Mahajan
(Chattogram)**

Forced to resign after
locals incited students
with false allegations of
anti-Islam comments.
Education Officer confirmed
no investigation occurred.

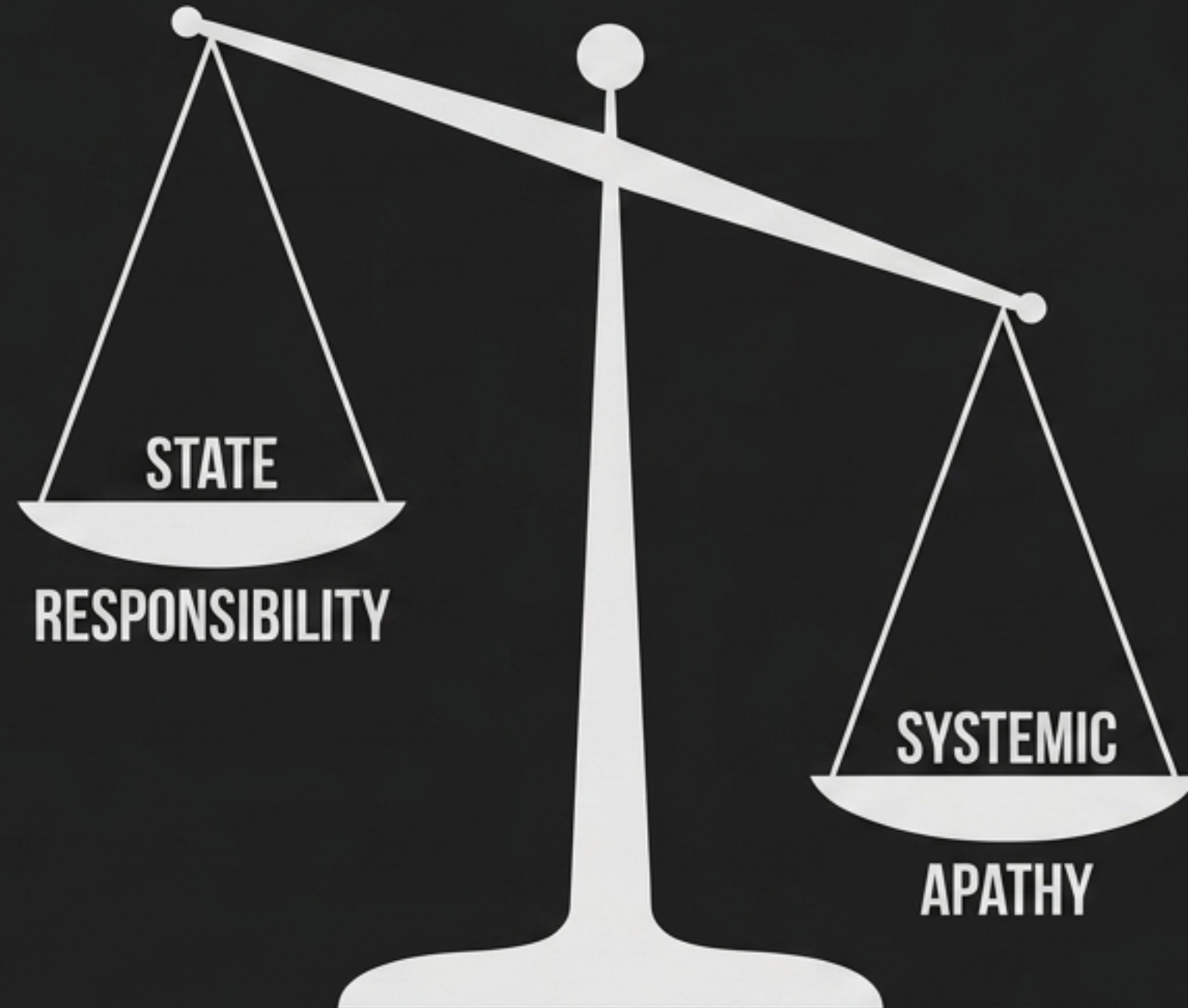
**Headmaster
Kantilal Acharya
(Sitakunda)**

Forced to resign by
local political leaders;
a video of his coerced
resignation was
deliberately made viral.

**Associate Prof. Kushal
Baran Chakroborty
(Chattogram University)**

Humiliated and physically
surrounded by a mob
labeling him a fascist ally
during a promotion
interview inside the pro-
VC's office.

THE FAILURE OF THE STATE: SYSTEMIC APATHY



- - **EXTRAJUDICIAL & CUSTODIAL DEATHS:**
155 prominent citizens petitioned regarding the **custodial deaths** of three indigenous Bonn community members in Chattogram jail, citing **denial of medical care**.
- - **SUPPRESSION OF RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY:**
Police **actively prevented** a pre-announced Hindu Ram Navami celebration at Mansa Bari Temple in Barishal, citing **vague security concerns** rather than providing protection.
- - **ADMINISTRATIVE BLINDNESS:**
Repeated pleas to Upazila Nirbahi Officers (UNOs) regarding the seizure of cremation grounds in Bogura and Brahmanbaria were **entirely ignored**, granting **tacit approval** to land grabbers.

INTERSECTIONAL VULNERABILITY: THE INDIGENOUS FRONT

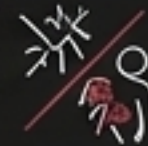
Indigenous communities face overlapping threats of racism, religious persecution, and corporate land theft.



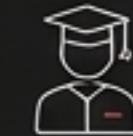
DOCUMENTED TARGETED COMMUNITIES



- **MRO COMMUNITY:** Missing students and arrested land protectors facing corporate lawfare.



- **KHAYANG COMMUNITY:** Subjected to **extreme sexual violence**, including the **rape** and **murder** of mothers.

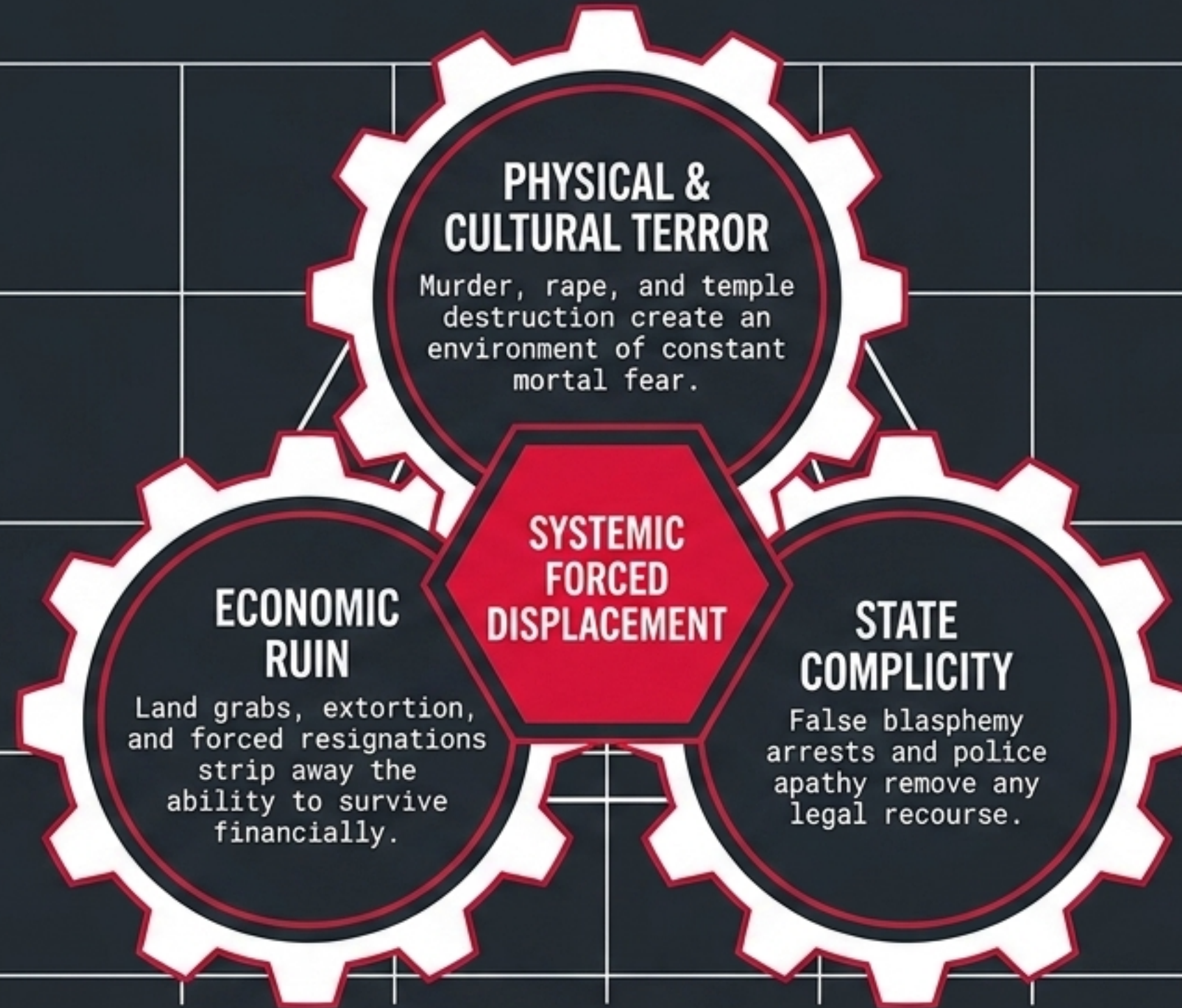


- **TRIPURA COMMUNITY:** **Targeted violence** against HSC students and **attempted molestation** by political leaders.



- **BONN / CHAKMA COMMUNITIES:** Victims of **extrajudicial custodial deaths** and targeted **kidnappings** for ransom.

SYNTHESIS: THE DISPLACEMENT EQUATION



The ultimate goal of combining these three vectors is to make life entirely unlivable for minorities, forcing them to abandon their ancestral homes.

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THE 2025 RECORD REQUIRES A PARADIGM SHIFT IN INTERNATIONAL OBSERVATION.

The data strictly proves that violence against religious and ethnic minorities in Bangladesh operates on a synchronized spectrum—from organized digital framing to brutal physical erasure. International observers, policymakers, and human rights bodies must move beyond condemning single, isolated incidents. The global response must address the structural, multi-vector machinery of persecution that enables this systemic displacement.