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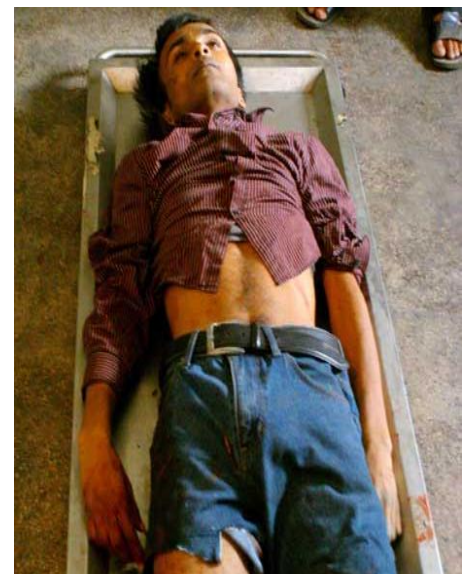
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## **Right to Life Denied**



*A relative crying over the dead body of Nazrul Islam (25) who was killed by Rapid Action Battalion in Dhaka on 16 March 2012.*

*On January 11, 2011, Imtiaz Hossain Abeer (19), a student of Northern College, was shot dead by police at the Pallabi area in Dhaka city. The family of the deceased alleged that Abeer was called out through phone calls by Pallabi thana police.*



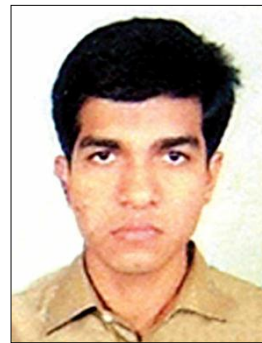
*On August 26, 2011, Momtaz Uddin Ahmed, an Advocate of the Supreme Court, died while he was in police custody and was tortured by Detective Branch (DB) of police. He was a supporter of BNP, the main opposition of Bangladesh.*



*Shafiqul Islam Raja (25), an under trial prisoner of the Dhaka Central Jail, who on April 23, 2011, died in Dhaka Medical College Hospital. The family of Raja alleged that he was tortured by police after being taken into remand in Sutrapur Police Station in the Capital, Dhaka.*



*Shibir leader Hafizur Rahman Shahin, a student of political science, was shot to death by Police on 11 February 2010 in Chapainawabganj<sup>29</sup><sup>th</sup>.*



*Mohiuddin Masum, an activist of Bangladesh Islami Chhatra Shibir, Chittagong University unit, was killed by miscreants on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2010 at Sholoshohar railway station, Chittagong.*



*Harunur Rashid Kaisar, an activist of Bangladesh Islami Chhatra Shibir, Chittagong University unit was killed by political opponents on March 2010.*



*Shibir activist Masud Bin Habib, a Student of Chittagong University was killed by members of Awami League-backed Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) on 8 February 2012.*



*Sharifuzzaman Nomani, the General Secretary of Bangladesh Islami Chhatra Shibir Rajshahi University unit was killed by government backed Chhatra League on 12 March 2009.*



*Shibir activist Masud Bin Habib, a Student of Chittagong University lay dead in the campus being killed by members of Awami League-backed Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) on 8 February 2012.*

*Mother of Shibir activist Abdullah Al Monju (inset), who was killed by members of Awami League-backed BCL on 11 April 2012 on his own home yard in Kushtia.*



*Hafez Ramzan Ali, the president of Islami Chhatra Shibir Dewanganj unit, was kidnapped and killed by Chhatra League in Jamalpur on 9 March 2009.*

*Awami League activists, with dagger, knife and steel rod, publicly beat to death Sanaullah Noor Babu, a BNP-backed chairman of Boraigram upazila on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2010.*





*An innocent college student Limon (left) has lost his leg when members of Rapid Action Battalion shot him in Jhalokathi, stirring countrywide criticism from all quarters including the National Human Rights Commission.*

### **Police Oppression**



*Police torturing a participant of the Independence Day rally arranged by Bangladesh Islami Chhatra Shibir on 26 March 2011.*

*During a general strike called by BNP on June 27, 2010, law enforcing agencies raided the residence of BNP leader Mirza Abbas after his arrest by breaking the main gate and beat the inmates indiscriminately which left at least 50 injured.*



*Police torture during countrywide dawn to dusk general strike called by BNP on June 27, 2010.*





*An innocent child is being beaten by police during a clash with garment workers in Dhaka.*



*Police attack injuring Professor Anu Mohammad and 70 others on National Committee to Protect Oil, Gas, Mineral Resources and Ports which organized a procession on September 2, 2009.*

*On July 3, 2009, the police in Pirojpur arrested two female students and one female teacher on suspicion of being terrorists merely because they all were wearing veils.*





*A Jamaat activist who participated in a rally being beaten up brutally by Police on 19 September 2011 in Dhaka.*

*A pedestrian was trying to flee from police attack on 19 September 2011 in Dhaka, but he couldn't as police suspected him as Jamaat activist.*



*Police severely attacking on Jamaat-e-Islami procession in the capital Dhaka demanding the release of top its leaders leaving at least 10 people injured at the city's Malibagh area on 12 September 2011.*



*Police attack the Independence Day rally of Bangladesh Islami Chhatra Shibir on 26 March 2011.*

*A woman under police torture during a general strike called by the opposition parties on 27 September 2011.*



*Police is torturing a picketer in Dhaka during a general strike called by the opposition parties on 22 September 2011.*



*Physical assault on the Opposition Chief Whip and Member of Parliament from BNP Mr. Zainul Abedin Faruk by police during a general strike on 11 July 2011 in Dhaka.*



*Brutal torture by policemen on a university student who took part in a demonstration against imposing tax on tuition fees in Dhaka on 20 July 2010.*



*Police beating female students of Chittagong University who were participating to demonstration demanding the cancellation of charging additional admission fees on 3 March 2010.*

## Campus Violence



*The student hostel of Government MC College of Sylhet was burned down by BCL in an attempt to keep general students out of the hostel on 8 July 2012.*



*Chhatra League members attacking a student with sharp weapons in Barisal Polytechnic Institute during a clash on 4 June 2010.*



*BCL activists with weapons in Sylhet Polytechnic Institute in a clash between two factions of the group leaving 10 injured on 16 May 2010.*



*Clashes between two groups of the Awami League-backed Chhatra League at the Dhaka University on February 1, 2010 resulting in the death of a student named Abu Bakar.*



*Abu Bakar, a meritorious student of University of Dhaka was killed Awami League-backed Chhatra League at the Dhaka University on February 1, 2010. The killers still remain out of the reach of justice.*



*BCL leader Takim brandishing firearms aimed at members of Shibir on Rajshahi University campus on 2 October 2012.*



*BCL leader Nasim Setu loading his gun while police men are walking by in Rajshahi University campus on 2 October 2012.*





*On 19 January 2012 after a procession following the arrest of BJI ex-Ameer Gulam Azam, BCL members conducted a sudden attack on rooms of BICS students and burned their effects in Shah Poran Residential Hall of Shahjala University of Science and Technology.*



*Jahangirnagar University students lay unconscious on the ground who were thrown over from 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> floor of Al Beruni Hall by members of government backed Chhatra League during a clash on 6 July 2010.*

## Enforced Disappearance



*Mr. M Ilias Ali, a former Member of Parliament and Organising Secretary of Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) has been missing from 17 April 2012. BNP claimed that government agencies are involved with this enforced disappearance.*

*Since 4 February 2012, two students of Islamic University, Kushtia are missing, namely— Al Mukaddas of Islamic Law Department and Md Waliullah of Daw'ah and Islamic Studies Department. Mukaddas was also cultural affairs secretary of IU unit of ICS, while Waliullah was Finance secretary of the same.*



*Chowdhury Alam, a city councilor of Dhaka City Corporation has been missing since 2010 while BNP has alleged that the government agencies have made him a victim of enforced disappearance.*

## Political Arrests and Harassment



*Jamaat-e-Islami Ameer Nayebe Ameer (Deputy Chief) Maulana Delwar Hossain Sayedee being brought to a controversial tribunal formed for the trial of war crimes committed in 1971.*



*On 29 June 2010 Police arrested three top Jamaat leaders, Ameer-e-Jamaat Mawlana Motiur Rahman Nizami (Nizami), Naib-e-Ameer Mawlana Delwar Hossain Saydee (Saydee) and Secretary General Ali Ahsan Mujahid (Mujahid), in connection with a false case of hurting religious sentiment and they are detained till date in numerous cases filed by the government.*

*On 25<sup>th</sup> August 2010 Dhaka city Jamaat leader Rafiqul Islam Khan was arrested from his residence at Mirpur by Police without any existing case or warrant.*



*With a view to preventing the opposition activists from taking part in the general strike of 5<sup>th</sup> June 2011, the government launched 10 executive mobile courts across the capital which sentenced hundreds of opposition activists without any hearing or production of any evidence.*



বিএনপি নেত্রী রেহানা আক্তার ডলিকে গ্রেফতার করে নির্মম নির্যাতনের পর গতকাল এভাবেই আদালতে হাজির করা হয় (হিনসেটে উপরে) পুলিশের কাছে ডর দিয়ে ডলির ইটার চেঁচা, নিচে- কোমরের নিচে নির্যাতনের ক্ষতচিহ্ন —আমার দেশ

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Marks of wound .were inhumanely tortured in police custody ,during a country wide Hartal  
.were visible in her body when she was produced before the court the next day*

## Freedom of Expression



*Bangla-language daily Amar Desh was stopped when the Government cancelled the declaration of the newspaper on June 1, 2010 and arrested its editor Mahmudur Rahman and served prison terms for his stand against the abusive role of the Judiciary.*



*Editor of the English daily New Age coming out of court after a contempt hearing. A rule issued against him on October 3, 2011 for publishing an article urging for the fairness of trial of crimes against humanity committed during 1971.*



*Journalist of Masranga Television Sagor Sarwar and his wife Meherun Runi, also a reporter of ATN Bangla TV were brutally killed in their apartment on 10 February 2012. The killers are yet to be brought before law despite repeated assurances by the Home minister.*



*Dead bodies of the Journalist couple Sagor Sarwar and Meherun Runi who were killed in their apartment on 10 February 2012 leaving a five year old son Megh.*