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(July-September 2025)

JusticeMakers Bangladesh in France (JMBF)

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JMBF Leaders Raise Alarming Concerns over Violence against LGBTQ+ People in Bangladesh at International Conference in France

Advocate Shahanur Islam, Founder President of JusticeMakers Bangladesh in France (JMBF), and Advocate Mohammad Alamgir, Secretary General of JMBF, joined the 2025 Euro-Mediterranean Summer Universities of Homosexualities (UEEH), held from August 10 to 21, 2025, in Vic-en-Bigorre, France.

On August 17, 2025, JusticeMakers Bangladesh in France (JMBF) hosted a special workshop entitled "Escalating Violence against LGBTQ+ People in Bangladesh: Challenges and the Way Forward." The session, led by Advocates Shahanur Islam shed light on the deteriorating human rights situation for LGBTQ+ people in Bangladesh. [Full News Here](#)

UN ADVOCACY



Congratulations to the Interim Government of Bangladesh on Signing the MoU for Establishing the UN Human Rights Office in Dhaka: Immediate Priority Must Be Given to Investigating the Gopalganj Shooting Incident [\[Full Press Release Here\]](#)

EU ADVOCACY



JMBF's Call on the Occasion of the European Parliament's Subcommittee on Human Rights Delegation Visit to Bangladesh [\[Full Urgent Appeal Here\]](#)

LGBTQI+ RIGHTS VIOLATION



JMBF strongly condemns and protests the vandalism of the food cart and threats against sexual minority intersex woman Jannatul Nayeem Pori in Dhaka. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF expresses deep concern and outrage over the lifetime expulsion of transgender female student Sahara Chowdhury from Sylhet Metropolitan University. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Deeply Concerned Over Persecution and Expulsion of LGBTQ+ Students at DUET. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Deeply Concerned Over the Brutal Killing of Gay Man Rafiqul Islam in Gazipur. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)

Editorial Note:**Building Momentum, Together**

As we conclude the third quarter (July to September) of 2025, we are inspired by what has been achieved and energised by what lies ahead. This year began with a clear intention: to embrace new challenges, set bold goals, and recommit to sustainable progress. In just a few months, that vision has already taken root, fuelled by the

passion of partners, volunteers, and everyday changemakers.

Their dedication reminds us that true impact is not only about scale, but about depth, connection, and consistency. The stories, reports, and actions highlighted in this edition are a testament to that spirit of resilience and solidarity. Looking forward, we are preparing to launch new initiatives—rooted in innovation, equity, and empowerment—that will expand access, strengthen partnerships, and uplift unheard voices.

We invite you to walk this journey with us. Whether through your time, ideas, or support, your involvement is vital. Together, we are building momentum. Together, we are shaping change.

Warm regards,

Advocate Shahanur Islam
Editor-in-Chief
JMBF Quarterly eNewsletter

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Decriminalise Homosexuality in
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Op-Editorial**One Year of the Yunus Regime: Extrajudicial Killings and Custodial Deaths Persist in Bangladesh**

When the interim government led by Nobel Laureate Professor Muhammad Yunus assumed power in August 2024, following the collapse of the Awami League administration, expectations ran high. The leadership pledged to strengthen democracy, restore the rule of law, and protect human rights. [Full Op-Ed Here](#)

The Relentless Defender: How Advocate Shahanur Islam Became the Conscience of Bangladesh's Legal Resistance

In the shadows of courtrooms and far from the glow of headlines, one man continues to risk his life for the rule of law. Advocate Shahanur Islam, a veteran Bangladeshi human rights lawyer, has spent the last two decades challenging a legal system plagued by corruption, police brutality, and discrimination. [Full Op-Ed Here](#)



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LGBTQI+ RIGHTS

JMBF Condemns the Brutal Murder of Gay Electrician Parvez Hasan and Urges Immediate Action to End Violence Against the LGBT+ Community. [Full Alert Here](#)

MINORITY RIGHTS

JMBF deeply concerns over extremist mob attacks, vandalism, and arson on four shrines & physical assault of khadems of a manzil in Comilla & Gazipur. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Condemns Brutal Attack on Shrine in Goalanda, Rajbari, and Exhumation of Dead Body by Public Burning. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Expresses Deep Concern and Strong Condemnation Over the Lynching Murder of Two Dalit Individuals in Rangpur. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Deeply Concerned Over Communal Attack on Hindu Minority Community in Gangachara, Rangpur. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)

DEATH IN CUSTODY



JMBF Expresses Deep Concern and Strong Protest Over the Death of Awami League Leader in Gaibandha Jail Due to Torture and Medical Negligence. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



Deaths of Two Detainees in Sylhet and Moulvibazar Custody of RAB and PBI – JMBF Expresses Deep Concern and Strong Condemnation. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Deeply Concerned and Strongly Condemns the Death of Durjoy Chowdhury in Police Custody at Chakaria Police Station, Cox's Bazar. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



Death of Female Lecturer in Police Custody at Vatara Police Station in Dhaka — A Stark Reflection of Mismanagement and Cruelty by the Interim Government. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)

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BORDER KILLINGS



JMBF Deeply Concerned Over Killing of Bangladeshi Citizen at Kanaighat Border by BSF. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)

MOB VIOLENCE



JMBF Deeply Concerned Over Government's Indifferent Role Amidst Ongoing Organised Violence Under the Current Interim Government. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Deeply Concerned and Strongly Condemns the Killing of One Worker and Injuries to Over Fifty by Police-Military Firing at Uttara EPZ, Nilphamari. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Strongly Condemns and Expresses Deep Concern Over the Death of Jubo Dal Leader Asif Shikder Due to Torture by Joint Forces in Dhaka. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)

LEA TORTURE



JMBF Deeply Concerned Over Brutal Police and Military Crackdown on Engineering Students and Ganadhikar Parishad Leaders in Dhaka. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Deeply Concerned Over Killing of Four and Injury to Hundreds of Unarmed Protesters by Deadly Army Firing in Gopalganj. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)

EDUCATIONAL VIOLENCE



JMBF Expresses Deep Concern Over the Bloody Suppression of Peaceful Student Movement in Dhaka. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Deeply Concerned Over Mass Expulsion & Certificate Cancellation at Jahangirnagar University Without Due Process. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



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JMBF Releases Its Annual Report 2025: State of Extrajudicial Killings and Custodial Deaths under the Interim Government in Bangladesh



(August 2024 to July 2025)

On August 25, 2025, JusticeMakers Bangladesh in France (JMBF) released its Annual Report 2025: State of Extrajudicial Killings and Custodial Deaths Under the Interim Government in Bangladesh (August 2024 – July 2025), presenting a grim account of widespread human rights violations under the Yunus-led interim administration.

The report, researched by Mosa Jannatul Ferdous and edited by Advocate Shahanur Islam, documents 60 incidents resulting in 70 victims of extrajudicial killings and custodial deaths carried out by law enforcement agencies, prison authorities, and other security forces across Bangladesh. [Full Report Here](#)

OPINION

State-Sponsored Massacre in Gopalganj: A Human Rights Catastrophe Behind the Mask of the Yunus Administration

July 16, 2025, will be remembered as another blood-stained black day in Bangladesh's history. On this day, under the command of the interim government led by Nobel Peace Laureate Muhammad Yunus—an administration that came to power promising rule of law, democracy, and human rights—the military, alongside the police, opened fire on unarmed civilians in Gopalganj. [Full Op-Ed Here](#)

Bangladesh Turns into a Haven of Anarchy: The Grim Failure of the Interim Government

For the first time in Bangladesh's history, an interim government has been formed under the leadership of a Nobel Peace Prize laureate. Many hoped this government would end political unrest and repression, ushering in a new era of good governance and justice. [Full Op-Ed Here](#)

Mob Violence, Impunity, and Anarchy — The Brutal Reality of the Yunus Government's Failure

The people of the country had high hopes for the interim government led by Nobel Peace Prize laureate Muhammad Yunus. With his international reputation, commitment to human rights, and determination to avoid political bias, the nation expected stable, transparent governance. But within just 10 months, those hopes have been shattered, replaced by a terrifying reality marked by mob violence, impunity, and state indifference. [Full Op-Ed Here](#)

JOURNALISTS VIOLENCE



JMBF expresses deep concern over the mysterious death of journalist Bibhoranjan Sarkar and ongoing repression of journalists. [Full Alert here](#)



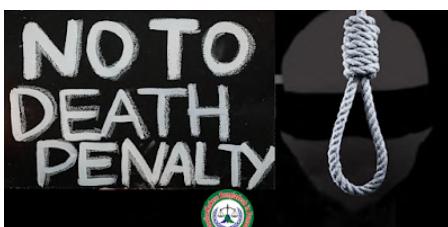
JMBF Deeply Concerned and Strongly Condemns the Murder of Journalist Asaduzzaman Tuhin in Gazipur. [Full Alert here](#)

ARBITRARY ARREST



JMBF Deeply Concerned Over Attack and Arbitrary Arrest of Former Minister, University Professor, Journalists, and Prominent Citizens at Discussion in Dhaka. [Full Statement Here](#)

DEATH PENALTY



JMBF Calls for the Withdrawal of the Death Penalty Provision in the Proposed Anti-Enforced Disappearance Law. [Full Alert Here](#)

Constitution of Bangladesh

Article 28. (1): The State shall not discriminate against any citizen on grounds only of religion, race, caste, sex or place of birth.

CRACKDOWN AGAINST LAWYERS



JMBF Expresses Deep Concern Over Re-Arrest of 10 High Court-Bailed Lawyers at Jail Gate on Sabotage Charges in Barguna. [Full Alert Here](#)



JMBF expresses deep concern and strongly condemns recent attacks, arrests, and fabricated cases against 19 lawyers across the country. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Deeply Concerned Over False Attempted Murder Case Against Supreme Court Lawyers & Violent Attacks on Lawyers During Hearings. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Deeply Concerned Over Arbitrary Arrest of 5 Lawyers & Fabricated Cases Against 12 in Barguna, Satkhira, Gazipur, Bogura, and Gopalganj. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



Arrest of Former Chief Justice A. B. M. Khairul Haque — A Direct Blow to Judicial Independence. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Deeply Concerned Over Arbitrary Arrests of 5 Respected Lawyers in Naogaon, Rangpur, Patuakhali, Manikganj, and Moulvibazar; Demands Immediate Release. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Expresses Deep Concern and Strong Condemnation Over Barring Pro-Awami Lawyers from Contesting Gazipur District Bar Association Election. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Deeply Concerned Over Repressive Cases Against 55 Senior Lawyers of Gazipur District Bar, Imprisonment of Two Seniors, and Interference with Professional Independence. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)



JMBF Deeply Concerned and Strongly Condemns over the Imprisonment of 12 Pro-Awami Lawyers in Barguna. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)

DAY OBSERVANCE

International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances 2025



JMBF Statement on the International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances 2025. [\[Full Statement Here\]](#)

International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples 2025



JMBF Statement on the Occasion of the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples 2025. [\[Full Statement Here\]](#)

WOMEN VIOLENCE



JMBF Deeply Concerned and Strongly Condemns the Recent Heinous Gang Rapes and Violence Against Women. [\[Full Alert Here\]](#)

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