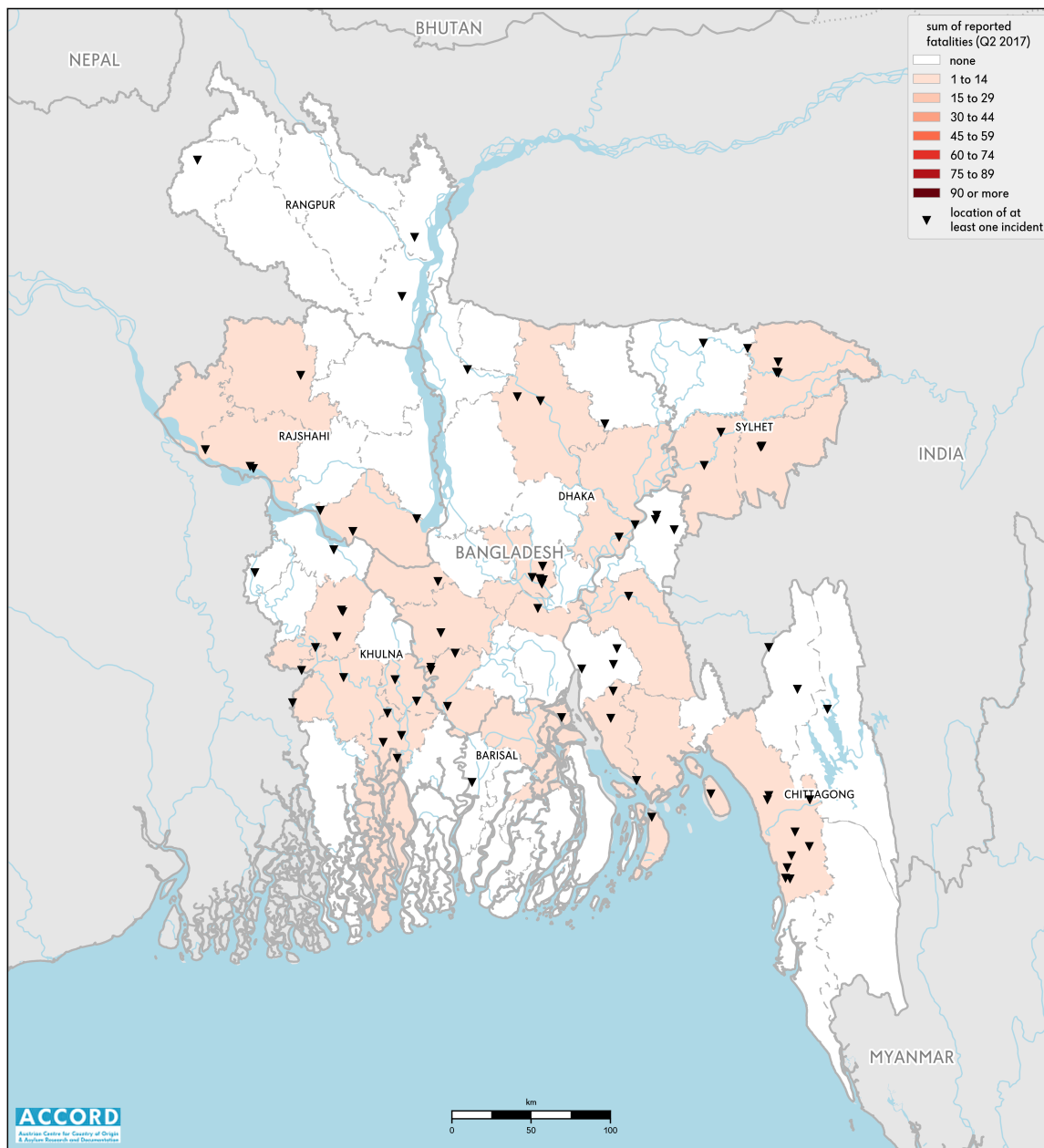# BANGLADESH, SECOND QUARTER 2017:
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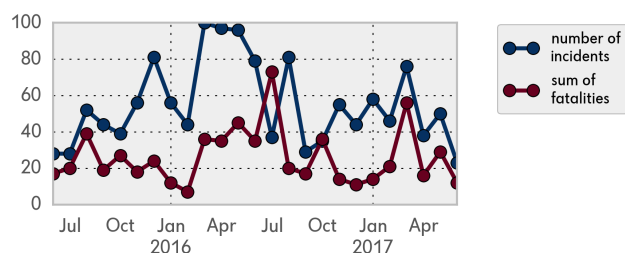

sum of reported
fatalities (Q2 2017)
- none
- 1 to 14
- 15 to 29
- 30 to 44
- 45 to 59
- 60 to 74
- 75 to 89
- 90 or more
- ▼ location of at least one incident

National borders: GADM, November 2015b; administrative divisions: GADM, November 2015a; China/India border status: CIA, 2006; geodata of disputed borders: GADM, November 2015b; Natural Earth, undated; incident data: ACLED, August 2017; coastlines and inland waters: Smith and Wessel, 1 May 2015

Conflict incidents by category

category	number of incidents	sum of fatalities
riots/protests	54	3
battle	36	43
violence against civilians	16	8
strategic developments	5	3
total	111	57

This table is based on data from the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (datasets used: ACLED, August 2017).

Development of conflict incidents from June 2015 to June 2017

- number of incidents
- sum of fatalities

This graph is based on data from the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (datasets used: ACLED, February 2017; ACLED, April 2016, and ACLED, August 2017).

LOCALIZATION OF CONFLICT INCIDENTS

<u>Note:</u>   The following list is an overview of the incident data included in the ACLED dataset. More details are available in the actual dataset (date, location data, event type, involved actors, information sources, etc.). In the following list, the names of event locations are taken from ACLED, while the administrative region names are taken from GADM data which serves as the basis for the map above.

Administrative divisions (based on GADM data) are reflected as of before the creation of Mymensingh division.

In **Barisal**, 2 incidents killing **1** person were reported. The following locations were affected: **Bausia, Pirojpur**.

In **Chittagong**, 31 incidents killing **6** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Banshkhali, Baraitali, Bijoynagar, Chandanaish, Chandpur, Chittagong, Hathazari, Haziganj, Jobra, Kachua, Kalipur, Khagrachari, Lakshmipur, Langadu, Patiya, Rahimpur, Ramganj, Ramgati, Rangunia, Sandwip, Sarail, Sukh Char**.

In **Dhaka**, 36 incidents killing **18** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Bhairab Bazar, Boshila, Dhaka, Goalandaghat, Gopalganj, Jamalpur, Kashiani, Kasiani, Motijheel, Muksudpur, Muktagacha, Mymensingh, Raipura, Rajnagar, Ramna, Saltha, Shahbagh, Sirajdikhan, Tongi**.

In **Khulna**, 19 incidents killing **13** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Benapole, Daulatpur, Dumuria, Jessore, Jhenaidah, Kalia, Kaliganj, Khulna, Kushtia, Meherpur, Modonpur, Narail, Phultala, Satkhira**.

In **Rajshahi**, 9 incidents killing **12** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Bera, Godagari, Ishwardi, Pabna, Rajshahi, Sherpur, Shibganj**.

In **Rangpur**, 3 incidents killing **0** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Baliadangi, Gaibandha, Ulipur**.

In **Sylhet**, 11 incidents killing **7** people were reported. The following locations were affected: **Chhatak, Habiganj, Moulvibazar, Nabiganj, Osmani Nagar, Sunamganj, Sylhet**.

METHODOLOGY

The data used in this report was collected by the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED). ACLED collects data on reported conflict events in selected African and Asian countries, Bangladesh being among them. ACLED researchers collect event data from a variety of sources and code them by date, location, agent, and event type. For further details on ACLED and for the full data, see www.acleddata.com und Raleigh; Linke; Hegre, and Karlsen, 2010.

Based on these data, the Austrian Centre for Country of Origin & Asylum Research and Documentation (ACCORD) compiles updates on conflict incidents. Geographic map data is primarily based on GADM, complemented with other sources if necessary. ACLED's location data is then used to locate incidents in these maps. Incidents that could not be located are ignored. The numbers included in this overview might therefore differ from the original ACLED data.

Incidents comprise the following categories: battle, headquarters or base established, non-violent strategic activities, riots/protests, violence against civilians, non-violent transfer of territory, remote violence. For details on these categories, please see

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DISCLAIMER

Most of the data collected by ACLED is gathered based on publicly available, secondary reports. It may therefore underestimate the volume of events. Fatality data particularly is vulnerable to bias and inaccurate reporting, and ACLED uses the most conservative estimate available. Furthermore, event data may be revised or complemented in future updates. The lack of information on an event in this report does not permit the inference that it did not take place. The boundaries and names displayed do not imply endorsement or acceptance by the Austrian Red Cross.

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