Bangladesh Human Rights Commission (BHRC) formed a Human Chain in front of the National Press Club, Dhaka on 8th October 2012, Monday in protest against attack on members of Buddhist communities difference place including Ramu, Ukhia and Patia Upazilla of Cox's Bazar and Chittagong District. BHRC Secretary General Dr. Saiful I. Dildar, Dhaka City Corporation Branch General Secretary, Buddhist Leader Principle Sukomol Barua and others human rights activist participate the Human Chain Program.

BHRC demands two probe bodies on Ramu riots

Dhaka, Oct 8: Bangladesh Human Rights Commission (BHRC), an international human rights and peace body, on 8 October 2012 demanded formation of two probe committees to investigate the Ramu and Ukhia incidents. The BHRC leaders said one international probe body comprising representatives from countries like China, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Nepal and Vietnam, and another national probe panel comprising members from all political parties should be formed to probe the communal violence neutrality. They came up with the demand at a human chain programme in front of the National Press Club in the city.

They also demanded that the violence-affected people be properly compensated and rehabilitated apart from launching an international campaign to address the matter.

A sectarian violence broke out in Ramu upazila on the night of September 29 after a photograph disgracing the holy Quran was uploaded on the facebook by a Buddhist youth, Uttam Kumar Barua.

The clash that ensued at Merunloa village in Ramu continued the following day (Sept 30) and spilled over into Patiya, Chittagong, leaving many pagodas and homes of the Buddhist community damaged. BHRC Secretary General Dr Saiful Islam Dildar, Buddhist leader Principle Sukomol Barua, BHRC Dhaka City Branch Secretary Akhteruzzaman Babul among others, joined the human chain programme.