

Madrasa boy tortured, hospitalised

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A 12-year-old madrasa student was brutally tortured by his teacher on Sunday on charge of stealing money and clothes.

The victim is Md Anwar Hossain Howlader, son of Abdul Khaleque Howlader of Rajnagar village under Baufal upazila, and a resident student of Sabupura Hafejee Madrasa in the upazila.

On getting the news, locals rescued Anwar from the madrasa and took him to the Baufal Health Complex at about 10:00pm.

Anwar Hossain told local journalists that he had gone home without taking any clothes a week before Eid-U-Azha on getting news that his father was ill. He went back to the madrasa on Sunday and returned home after taking his clothes from there.

Teacher Al-Amin suspected that Anwar had stolen money and clothes from the madrasa. He called Anwar to the madrasa saying that there would be a special class. When Anwar reached the madrasa in the evening, Al-Amin



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Teacher severely beat 12-year-old madrasa boy Anwar Hossain and cut his hair on theft charge at Sabupura Hafejee Madrasa in Baufal upazila of Patuakhali on Sunday evening. The boy was later admitted to Baufal Upazila Health Complex.

started hitting him with a cane. At one stage, he cut Anwar's hair.

The madrasa teacher has been absconding since the incident.

This correspondent tried to communicate with Al-Amin over cellphone but failed as

his phone was turned off.

Contacted, Officer-in-Charge (OC) Masduzzaman of Baufal Police Station said "I didn't hear the news, and nobody filed any case in this regard. I will take necessary steps after investigation."