

A Correspondent

Brahmanbaria: Over 50 people, including seven policemen, were injured in a clash between two groups of people over a trifling matter at Bitghar village in Sarail upazila on Sunday.

Locals said auto-rickshaw drivers Rukku Miah and Ashraf Miah had an altercation over jumping the queue at a CNG stand at the village on Saturday evening.

At one stage, Ahsraf and his men attacked Rukku and his clan members.

As a sequel to the incident, supporters of both the groups, equipped with lethal weapons, attacked each other around 12 noon today, leaving some 45 people injured.

Being informed, police rushed in and charged baton on the feuding groups to disperse them.

Later, the law enforcers fired several gunshots and lobbed teargas shells to bring the situation under control.

Seven policemen, including officer-in-charge of Sarail Police Station Ali Arshad, were also injured and 10/12 shops vandalized during the two-hour melee.

Of the injured, 12 were rushed to Sadar Hospital and the others given first aid.