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VIOLENCE IN BANGLADESH TRIGGERS TENSIONS IN INDIAN BORDER STATE

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Amid an uneasy calm in the north of the Indian border state of Tripura, people from both Hindu and Muslim communities are being cautious. Less than a week ago, communal tensions in the state resulted in the damaging of property and mosques after Hindu activists rallied to protest violence in neighboring Bangladesh against Hindus.

The northeast Indian state of Tripura □ bordered by Bangladesh on three sides □ hosts a minority Muslim population and is ruled by Prime Minister Narendra Modis right-wing Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP).

Muslim activists in the area reported that over a dozen mosques were vandalized and shops owned by Muslims were burnt down by angry mobs.

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