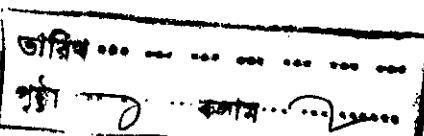


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~~~~~ Series of clashes between students, local people in Gazipur

GAZIPUR, Nov 5:-A student of Bangladesh Institute of Technology was killed and 50 people were injured in a series of clashes between the students and local people here on Sunday night, says UNB. As tension mounting BIT was closed sine die to lay. The decision of closer was taken at an emergency meeting.

The dead was identified as Golam Mostafa (25), a fourth year student of Mechanical Department, ailed from Hajiganj of Chandpur district.

After closing the Institute the students were acked out of the campus in buses in the afternoon.

On arrival in Dhaka city, about 200 students went to sit-in demonstration in front of the National Press

Club against the closer of the Institute.

Police and witnesses said the trouble erupted when some students beat up transport workers at the BIT gate over bus fare. Three students were travelling by a bus from Chandana Chowrasta to Institute.

Later, the transport workers, aided by local people, attacked the students and confined two of them in a local market.

As the news spread to the campus, the students rushed to the spot and rescued their fellows. In the process they engaged in clashes with the local people and transport workers that left about 50 injured.

During the clash 4-5 shops were ransacked and one torched. The locals also (See Page 15 Col 5)

Student killed

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the residence of its Director Dr Nasur Ahmed.

Four students, Mostafa, Salam, Rezaul and Simon injured critically during the clash were rushed to Dhaka Medical College Hospital where the attending doctors declared Mostafa dead. Other injured were given first aid at local clinics.

The BIT students claimed that Mostafa was shot dead by local people. But local people said he died of a heart attack.

As tension heightened on the campus and the adjacent area, adding, police were deployed to maintain order. Some police officers lost their lives.

Meanwhile, local people brought out to the possession and the residence of Simon.

Speaking to the reporter, Simon compensated the police for the killing and