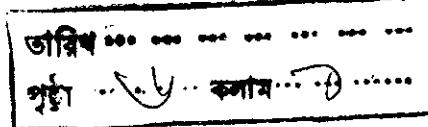


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General students apprehend bloody clash [CS, BCL activists ready to strike each other on CU campus

From CU Correspondent

CHITTAGONG, July 28:—Tension and resentment are prevailing in the Chittagong University on the opening day of the university as the students are returning to the campus. The university was on the one month long rainy season vacation. The classes will be started on August 1.

The general students of the University are now in grip of tension due to the alleged preparation for confrontation between Islami Chhatra Shibir (ICS) and the Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) to face each other for capturing halls. The general students of the university expressed their resentment over the inactive attitude of the authority of the university for not taking proper measure to reduce the tension that is prevailing on the campus.

In a meeting held recently the ICS student wing of Jamaat-e-Islami, threatened to call strike for indefinite period on the campus from August 1 on the opening day of the university. The ICS will check out the programme for strike if the university authority does not take necessary steps for

the rehabilitation of the ICS activists in Shahjalal Hall and Shah Amanat Hall by then. Both these halls are now in the grip of BCL supporters.

On the other hand, Nasir Haidar Babul, General Secretary of BCL of CU unit, in a press release said that the BCL will resist any attempt of ICS to create chaos on the campus creating the situation to destroy the academic atmosphere of CU. He also expressed his dissatisfaction over CU authority for not taking effective measure to prevent the ICS cadres.

Meanwhile, the campus sources informed that the ICS leaders are bringing their cadres with arms in Alwal Hall and AF Rahman Hall. Both these halls are now in the grip of ICS activists. ICS will attack the BCL activists at any time to oust them from BCL occupied Shah Amanat Hall and Shahjalal Hall.

The supporters of BCL, student wing of Awami League, not staying behind the cadres in their respective halls according to the university sources closed to BCL.

In the background of regrouping ICS and BCL cadres with arms in the hall the general resident students of these halls now passing their days in a great tension.

The general students of the university staying in the halls for appearing in their respective examinations in the vacation time, apprehend bloody clashes between two rival groups on the university campus. They also think that general students may become victims during the clashes of ICS and BCL cadres.

Some students of CU who are staying on the university campus appear in the examinations said The Bangladesh Observer on condition of anonymity that, both ICS and BCL cadres will fight each other for their own gain. They don't think about the welfare of the general students of the university. The CU authority will be responsible for the unhappy unwanted situation on the campus as they do not take any action against the cadres of both ICS and BCL with arms in the halls. It is an open secret to all that there is a

huge quantity of arms kept hidden by the ICS and BCL. Even the authority does not ask the police personnel to raid the halls like Dhaka University where police have already raided one hall and DU authority gave permission to them.

The CU authority will sit with the syndicate members and other high officials on July 29 to discuss about the CU situation.

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