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10 injured as BCL, Shibir clash in Sylhet

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SYLHET, Nov 11:—At least 10 students of both BCL (S-P) and Islami Chhatra Shibir (ICS) were seriously injured in a clash between the two rival groups on Kanaighat College campus and its neighbouring areas yesterday noon.

The cause of the clash could not be ascertained immediately. It has been learnt that the clash ensued as a sequel to an altercation between BCL and ICS activists at around 11 a.m. Mashug, Ahmed and Sharif Uddin of BCL and Faisal Ahmed, Mahtab Uddin, Soheb Ahmed, Dewar Hussain and Mohammed Ali of Shibir were injured in the clash. According to eye-witnesses, lethal weapons like daos, razors, lathis and cocktails were used during the hour-long sporadic clashes.

ICS claimed that its activists and leaders were attacked by the rival group while they were in classes. They alleged that the rival armed activists attacked ICS activists at Suria Alia Madrasa Mosque nearby the college and left ICS college unit President Mahtab Ahmed injured on the campus and Thana President Nazrul Alam injured seriously at the mosque area. Kanaighat Thana Jamaat office also came under attack during the clash. Acting on information, the Thana police rushed to the spot and resorted to lathi charge to bring the situation under control.

Police has been patrolling the thana headquarters where tension has been prevailing.