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JCD members trade gunfire on DU campus

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Gunshots rocked the Dhaka University campus on Thursday as the two rival factions of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) locked into an armed clash over control of halls.

The faction members exchanged over one hundred rounds of gunshots leaving at least 10 students injured. However, there is no report of bullet injury.

The fight began when a group of students known as "anti-Tangail group" attacked Suryasen Hall of the university at 12.45 p.m. and drove out "Dany group" from the hall.

Meanwhile, another leader of anti-Tangail group with his associate attacked Ziaur Rahman Hall spreading the gunbattle among the four JCD dominated halls.

Police rushed to the spot and lobbed at least 10 teargas shells to bring the situation under control.

Police also raided some identified rooms of the four halls and recovered a cut rifle, a barrel of a cut rifle and a ramda. None was, however, arrested.

A tense situation has been prevailing on the campus. Large number of police personnel are deployed on the campus.

Meanwhile, Bangladesh Chhatra League (S-P) brought out a procession and held a rally protesting the gun fight on the campus by the JCD members.

The rally held at Dhaka University Snacks (DUS) was addressed by Abu Syed Al Mahmud Swapan, Afzalur Rahman Babu and Bahadur Bepary.