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Withdrawal of expulsion order on DU student demanded

Several hundred students of the Dhaka University brought out a protest procession on the campus on Friday demanding withdrawal of the Expulsion order on a Physics Department student, says UNB.

The University Syndicate on June 24 stripped Sheikh Ansar Ali of his honours degree and expelled him for assaulting a teacher of the department. The Du authorities also declared him (Ali) "persona non grata" on the campus.

Dr. Badrul Alam, an Associate Professor of the Department, was assaulted by the student on May 31.

General students also formed a "Committee for Protecting Rights of Students (CPRS)" on Friday launching the movement to resist what organisers said the arbitrary and one sided action against students.

The processionists chanted slogans like "Burn DUTA" "Return Ansar's Honours Degree", and "We will not tolerate whims of teachers".

Later addressing a rally at the TSC road island, Golam Mostafa, an organiser of CPRS, warned that the general students will also go for indefinite strike like the teachers if the "unjust" decision against Ansar Ali is not withdrawn.

He demanded investigation of the teachers' misdeeds, alleging that Dr. Alam was "intentionally" giving fail marks to Ansar Ali for the last three years.

Mostafa also threatened to go to court seeking legal redress of the "unjust and illegal" action against Ansar Ali, and innocent victim of circumstances.