

25 injured during SSC exam in Jamalpur

JAMALPUR, April 29 : At least 25 people, including a teacher and 10 policemen, were injured in a clash between police and copy suppliers at an examination centre in Islampur thana this (Saturday) morning, reports UNB.

The clash erupted at the Islampur Nekjahan High School centre when a group of copy suppliers and rowdy people tried to enter the SSC examination centre at around 11 am.

A total of 1105 candidates were appearing at the General Mathematics examinations there.

The attackers exploded crackers and hurled brickbats at the police on duty who resisted them. Police later lobbed six rounds of teargas shells and lathicharged to disperse the mob, witnesses said.

The clash continued for more than half an hour and at one stage, police had to take refuge in the school headmaster's room.

Police arrested seven people from the premises of the centre in connection with the violence.

Local officials said the injured were rushed to the Islampur Health Complex. Officer-in-Charge of Islampur thana Makhlukur Rahman and Superintendent of the centre Md Abdullah, who is also the headmaster of the school, were among injured.

Earlier, on the day of the English First Paper examination, one policeman was injured in a similar clash with the police at the centre.

Following the incident, the district administration deployed one platoon of riot police and 50 Ansars to maintain discipline in the area.

Some 40 examinees were also expelled from eight centres in the thana today (Saturday).