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Exam system protested

Over 100 students arrested

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Over one hundred school students were picked up by police while they were marching towards the office of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Board, Dhaka demanding cancellation of new system in the SSC (Secondary) examination on Saturday morning.

According to witnesses, several hundred students of different schools of the city brought out a big procession demanding cancellation of new system in the forth-coming SSC examination. The procession while crossing Matsha Bhaban area went on rampage and tried to damage running motor vehicles. Police picked up several demonstrating students from the spot.

The procession was also intercepted by police at Doyel Square where a brief chase and counter-chase between the demonstrating students and the police took place. Three persons were injured during the agitation. Police in a separate swoop also picked up about thirty students from Doyel Square point.

While contacted the Officer-in-Charge of Ramna police station Qumrul Islam told the Bangladesh Observer that some students were picked up on charge of rampaging the running vehicles. He however did not disclose the actual number of students arrested by the police.

Meanwhile, repeated telephone calls were made by the guardians of respective detained students to different newspapers. They alleged that the police beat them inhumanly and put them into a small cell at the police station. Police allegedly demanded money from the parents who rushed to the police station to get their sons freed.

A crowded situation was found before the Ramna police station till the time of writing this report at about 10 p.m.

Police said they would be produced before the court of Chief Metropolitan Magistrate (CMM) to