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ICS cadres capture halls **CU heading towards confrontation**

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CHITTAGONG, Oct 8.—After the hall recapturing of Chittagong University (CU) by Islam Chhatra Shibir (ICS), the overall situation of the university is heading towards another bloodshed.

ICS, student front of Jamaat-e-Islami, recaptured their lost dominance in CU yesterday (Sunday) by occupying all six halls of the university which they lost on April 28, 1998.

On Sunday, the halls of CU reopened after lapse of nearly two months. A good number of ICS activists embarked in all six halls of CU including Shah Jalal Hall, Shah Amanat Hall and Shahid Abdur Rab Hall which were under control of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) in recent past.

All the halls of CU were vacated after the authority of CU closed the university sine die on August 13 following a bloody clash erupted between ICS and BCL which left more than 20 students of the both sides injured.

According to our university sources, BCL now increasing their strength at Gate No. 1 of the university area by assembling their activists, cadres and arms there. A total of hundred activists of BCL are now staying in the cottages of that area. They are now preparing to reestablish their power in the campus, sources confirmed. A front line leader of CU BCL said, when the classes of CU will resume ICS will go behind as the general students of CU never support ICS.

On the other hand, ICS is not keeping behind to preserve their dominance in all six halls of the university. They are assembling their cadres and arms at Gate No. 2 of university area, said our sources. They will huddle them later in all halls.

Meanwhile, Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD), student wing of BNP is now taking their preparation to capture one or two halls of CU for the first time. Some leaders and cadres of CU BCL may join in JCD, according to a reliable source close to JCD. These BCL men are now waiting for the return of one front line BNP leader of Chittagong as he is now in Dhaka for taking oath. The political situation of CU may turn into another dimension if the BCL men join in JCD.