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Crackers blast at DU campus

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Some four rounds of crackers were exploded by the activists of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD), the student wing of BNP, in front of the Central Library of Dhaka University during the country-wide dawn to dusk hartal enforced by the oppositions on Thursday.

Sources said that some JCD activists blasted the crackers just after the opening of the library and pelted stones at the library building causing damage to some of the window pans. They, then, were chased by the on duty policemen and driven away from the campus.

Earlier, JCD brought out a procession and held a rally on the campus in support of the hartal. The rally, held at the Aparajeyo Bangla, was addressed, among others, by Monzur-e-Elahi, Monir Hossain and Sultan Salauddin Tuku.

Later, the library was closed following the incident at the library premises.

No other incident took place on the campus during the hartal hour. The academic activities, however, could not be carried out for there were no students on the campus and the presence of other officials was poor. All the class rooms and offices at the Arts Building and other academic buildings remained close. A few office rooms at the administrative building were kept open though officials were hardly seen there.