



JCD brought out a procession protesting the Prime Minister's arrival on Dhaka University campus on Saturday.

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## JCD, GCO hold rallies on DU campus

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Some activists of BNP backed Jatiyabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) and Ganotantrik Chhatra Oikya (GCO), an alliance of left-leaning parties, held demonstrations separately on Dhaka University campus on Saturday morning to protest Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's visit to the university. However, Awami League backed Bangladeshi Chhatra League (BCL) brought out a colourful procession hailing the Prime Minister's visit.

The Prime Minister went to Dhaka University to inaugurate the first ever grand convention of the University Alumni Association in front of the Teacher-Student Centre (TSC) on the campus. Hundreds of old students of the university who are members of the Alumni Association attended the convention.

The JCD activists demonstrated inside the arts faculty building, few hundreds away from TSC where the Prime Minister attended the convention. Some of the activists covered their faces in black clothes.

GCO activists held a protest rally at the premises of arts faculty building. They protested Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's visit to the university as she suggested ban of student politics to stop violence and terrorism in educational institutions.

The BCL leaders and workers brought out a colourful procession with balloons and festoons and paraded inside the campus welcoming the visit of the Prime Minister.

However, there was no untoward incident on the campus and the grand convention of the university Alumni Association was inaugurated and held peacefully.