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Strike observed in DU for second day

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The two-day strike, enforced by different student organisations and general students in Dhaka University in protest against the increase in tuition fee and other charges, ended on Monday.

Ganotantrik Chhatra Oikya (GCO) and the general students announced fresh action programmes that include a token hunger strike in front of the office of the Vice-Chancellor of the university on August 2 protesting the same issue.

General students under the banner of a "committee for resisting fee-hike", Ganotantrik Chhatra Oikya (GCO), BNP's student front Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) and JSD back Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) gave the call for the two-day strike beginning from Sunday in the university protesting the enhancement of tuition fee and other charges by the university authorities.

On Monday, the second day of the two-day strike, the academic and administrative activities of the university could not be held. The classes and the examinations scheduled for Monday were not held. The administrative building, all the faculty buildings and the Central Library of the university were under lock and key.

The general students and different student organisations including GCO and JCD brought out processions

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and held separate rallies on the campus in support of the strike and demanding resignation of the Treasurer of the university for his proposed to hand over the university to private sector.

The general students who held their rally at the Aparajeyo Bangla of the university announced a three-day action programme that includes wearing of black badges on July 30, making a human chain on the campus on August 1 and observing of token hunger strike in front of the office of the DU Vice-Chancellor on August 2.

The rally was addressed by Shahidul Islam Ripon, Rubel, Shaila and Anjoli.

Addressing their rally held in front of the Modhu's Canteen the GCO leaders also announced to observe token hunger strike in front of the VC's office on August 2.

The rally was addressed by Ziaul Haq Zia, Hasan Hafizur Rahman Sohel and Saifur Rahman Tapan.

Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) leaders addressing their rally thanked the students to make the strike a success and urged the university authorities to withdraw the increased tuition fee and other charges.

The rally held in front of the main gate of the arts building of the university was addressed, among others, by Abdul Khaleq, A.B.M. Mosharraf Hossain, Manzoor Elahi and Monwar Hossain Rana.

JSD back BCL (C-K) also brought out a procession and held a rally on the campus on Monday in support of the strike.

BCL President Obaidur Rahman Chundu, Munir Ahmed Lenin, Monirul Kabir and Aminul Azim, among others, addressed the rally.

BCL rally

Pro-Awami League Chhatra League (BCL) brought out a procession and held a rally on the university campus on Monday demanding withdrawal of the enhanced fees and peaceful solution to the crisis.

Addressing the rally the BCL leaders said vested quarters are trying to give a political shape to the on-going movement. They urged all concerned to be alert against the vested quarters.

The rally held at the Aparajeyo Bangla of the university was addressed, among others, by BCL President Enamul Haq Shamim, Shahjahan Alam Saju, Ajoy Kor Khokon, Afzalur Rahman Babu, Abadet Hossain and Bahadur Bepary.