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Dhaka University reopened on Saturday after a 13-day unscheduled closure of the university.

But no classes were held due to abstention from work by the University Teachers' Association.

Dhaka University Teachers' Association (DUTA) went on work abstention from October 29 for indefinite period demanding assurance of security and congenial academic atmosphere on the campus.

The University syndicate postponed all classes on October 27 following a bloody gunbattle between the rival student organisations in which four persons were killed

including two students of the university.

Bangladesh Chhatra Union (BCU) at a rally on Saturday demanded release of its leaders and activists and withdrawal of "false cases" against them.

Organised at the Curzon Hall premises the rally was addressed by BCU president Nasirud Doja and General Secretary Ruhin Hossain Prince.

Speakers at the rally alleged that the government was harassing leaders and activists of different student organisations through filing cases

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what they called false cases.

One stabbed near DU library

M.A. Mannan, a student of Dhaka University was stabbed allegedly by one of his friend near the university library at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday following a hot exchange of words over sharing of drugs.

A resident of Bangabandhu Hall, Mannan was admitted to DMCH with stab injuries on his body.

He is an activist of Bangladesh Chhatra League (N-S).

BSS adds: The Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University Professor M. M. Mizruzzaman Mia met Home Minister Abdul Matin Chowdhury at his secretariat office today.

They reviewed the latest situation of law and order on campus and various steps to restore and maintain it. They also discussed special measures to ensure peace and normalcy in the campus during examination which would commence from November 12.

Reiterating the government's firm determination, the Home Minister assured the Vice Chancellor all necessary effective measures would be taken to maintain congenial atmosphere in the campus especially during the examination.

The Home Minister sought all-out cooperation of teachers and student communities of Dhaka University in this respect.

Meanwhile, four political parties today expressed concern at the deterioration of law and order in the educational institutions and called upon all concerned to come forward unitedly to stop the growing campus violence.

Presided over by CPB leader Nurul Islam Nahid, the meeting, held at the CPB office, was attended by the representatives of Communist Party, National Awami Party, Samyabadi Dal and Gano Azadi Dal.

The meeting discussed threadbare joint approaches of the four political parties toward various national problems and planned a number of measures to curb campus violence.

In a resolution the parties expressed their serious concern at the price spiral and urged the government to take appropriate measures to check it.

The meeting was attended, among others, by Pankaj Bhattacharjee, Kamal Hyder, Murshed Ali, Nuh Alam, Lenin, Dilip Barua, Abdur Rouf, Alhaj Abdus Samad and Hurul Ammen.