

CU halls raided

8 arrested, arms recovered

Chittagong Office

CHITTAGONG, May 3:—The police arrested eight students—mostly Shibir activists and recovered some arms and ammunition after raiding all the six male dormitories in Chittagong University on Saturday late night.

The Superintendent of Police Abdul Rauf mobilised 750 police personnel in 30 platoons for the raid on the dormitories regarded as the 'fort of Shibir activists'.

Of the arrested persons seven were Shibir activists other was a worker of Bangladesh Chhatra League.

This huge contingent of police led by Chittagong SP cordoned off all the six dormitories at 3 a.m. at late night and immediately swung into action. The police personnel divided into groups went in the dormitories and woke up the perturbed students in their rooms. They then took up the intensive search of all the rooms of the students in the dormitories scantily accommodated due to political turmoil over the past few days.

The six multi-storied dormitories that came under the raids of the police were Shah Amanat Hall, Shah Jalal Hall, Shahid Suhrawardy Hall, Shahid Rob Hall, Alaul Hall and F Rahman Hall. The police also searched the bushes and areas adjacent to these student dormitories. The numerous makeshift cottages dotted around these dormitories for the private accommodation of students were also underwent police search.

The police took long two and a half hours to complete their sweep

ing search in all these places.

However, the police after their tedious search recovered five cut-rifles, two light guns, five daggers, two Chinese axes, 28 rounds of cartridges and huge quantity of lethal weapons.

Of the eight arrested students: Muhammad Yusuf of Statistics Department was caught with a gun from Shah Amanat Hall. The rest seven students arrested from Shahid Suhrawardy Hall were Mohammad Jaedul Islam of Bengali Department, Jubairul Islam of Journalism Department, Shahadat Hossain of Islami History Department, Kamaluddin of Economics Department, Masudul Alam of Economics Department, Jashimuddin of Bengali Department

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Bomb attack on CU shuttle train

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CHITTAGONG, May 3:—The shuttle train that was bound for Chittagong city from Chittagong University came under bomb attack at Sholashar at about 6.20 p.m. today.

The guard room of the train was hit by bombs reportedly hurled by Islami Chhatra Shibir activists. Guard Pranab Roy sustained injuries in the attack.

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and Mizanur Rahman of Bengali Department. Except Muhammad Yusuf, all other arrested students are accused in a case of violence.

Despite a disquieting situation and siege programme of the Shibir on the campus, the academic life in Chittagong University passed off peacefully today. However, a negligible number of students turned up on the campus. As a result, a few classes were held.

The shuttle trains carrying students from the city commuted to the campus in the morning on time. The teachers buses also plied. The administrative works in the university were also unaffected.

The Press release signed by the Registrar Dr SMM Huq Mazumder said that the university authority with a deep concern noticed that "a particular student body in the name of movement over the past few days committed a number of acts of terrorism on the campus of Chittagong University and its adjoining areas and in the city".

The Chittagong University Teachers Association (CUTA) also expressed grave concern at the sudden turn of 'boiling situation'. The CUTA President Prof Shah Alam and General Secretary Prof Siddique Ahmed Chowdhury in a joint statement to the Press condemned all the acts of terrorism and demanded exemplary punishment to those persons who were responsible for these incidents. They also urged the authority to take stern measures for resolving the crisis.