

Arms recovered

Ctg varsity halls vacated

Chittagong Office

The law enforcing agencies on Saturday entered the Chittagong University campus and the five residential halls to flush out the students and recover illegal arms. Earlier the BDR and police gave an ultimatum to the students to leave the halls and campus by 2 p.m. on Saturday. Most of the students left the campus following the ultimatum.

The supporters of Chittagong University Central Students Union (CUCSU) and All-Party Student Union (APSU) laid a blockade on the University to resist the activists of Islami Chhatra Shibir, the student front of fundamentalist Jamaat-e-Islami, who captured the campus and residential halls by force. They demanded the eviction of the activists of Islami Chhatra Shibir from the campus.

Some University teachers who started taking classes of the University at the MES college in Chittagong town protesting the presence of armed students inside the campus threatened to go on a greater movement if the law enforcing agencies failed to clear the campus and restore the academic atmosphere in the University.

CUCSU and APSU leaders in a statement criticised Democratic Teachers Forum formed by a section of teachers of the University, for issuing misleading statements on the situation that gripped the University for the last few days. They advised the Forum not to give any statement to the Press that would further vitiate the academic atmosphere in the University.

Meanwhile, the University authorities at long last broke its silence and gave its view on the situation on the campus.

The University Press release signed by the Deputy Registrar held a particular student organisation responsible for the anarchy on the campus. The University authorities urged the government, guardians, teachers, students and all concerned quarters to help and cooperate in restoring peace and academic atmosphere in the University.

On the other hand the activists of Islami Chhatra Shibir in a meeting on Friday blamed the Vice-Chancellor of the University for the situation on the campus. The meeting reiterated the demand for removal of the Vice-Chancellor.

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