

CU authority starts dialogue with students for reopening

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CHITTAGONG, Aug 25:—The authority of Chittagong University (CU) today started dialogue with the student bodies for the reopening of the university.

Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL), Bangladesh Chhatra Union (BCU), Samajtantrik Chhatra Front (SCF) and a faction of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) were scheduled to meet with the university authority at the Vice Chancellor's room. But BCL boycotted the meeting.

BCL, student wing of Awami League boycotted the meeting in support of their 6-point demand that included punishment of those Islami Chhatra Shibir members who are responsible for the attack of July 27 and August 13 on the BCL activists, removal of the Provost of Shahid Abdur Rab Hall and recovery of illegal arms from Gate No. 2 of the university area which is well known as the ICS occupied area.

On the other hand, BCU and SCF demanded immediate resumption of the classes and ensure the security of the students. Meanwhile JCD will enforce an indefinite strike on the campus if their demands were not met immediately.

While talking to The Bangladesh Observer a high official of CU on the condition of anonymity said, the CU authority doing its best to settle the present crisis of the university. In this regard the Health, Residence and Disciplinary Committee (HRDC) of CU will send show-cause notice to nine ICS activists in a short time on the basis of proctorial bodies report for their alleged involvement in the incident of July 13 where five BCL men were injured seriously.

The CU authority closed the university sine die following a bloody clash between ICS and BCL that left 20 students injured on August 13.