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Students clash at Jhikargacha: 10 hurt

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JESSORE, Oct. 28: Twelve students of Jhikargacha Shahid Mohsin Rahman Degree College were wounded, 3 of them seriously, following a clash between two groups of students of October 19. Iron rods, lathis, hockey sticks, Chinese axes, ramdaos, hand bombs and knives were indiscriminately used by one group of students against another group of students during the clash, it is reported.

According to reports, the clash ensued when a First Year student blew whistle with his lips in the class room in presence of a lecturer who wanted to know the student who had blown whistle. Accidentally the student who recognised the whistle-blowing student was a worker of Jatiyotabadi Chhatra Dal and the whistle-blower was a worker of Chhatra League (S-R). The lecturer warned the boy for his indisciplined activity in the class. There was exchange of hot words between the two

students after the class was over. All on a sudden, workers of Chhatra League equipped with the weapons entered the college campus.

It is alleged that when the supporters of Chhatra League attacked their rivals, somebody locked the only gate of the college. As a result, the general students could not escape and they sustained injuries at the hands of the attackers despite their efforts to get out of the college campus.

Ten workers of Jatiyotabadi Chhatra Dal, a hired man Obaidul and one Imamul injured were in the clash. Obaidul, hired by Chhatra League supporters was hurt in a bomb blast buried by the rival group.

Seriously wounded JCD worker Otar Rahman and Obaidul were admitted into Jhikargacha Upazila Health Complex and Imamul who was seriously wounded with Chinese axe was admitted into Jessore sadar hospital. Panic was prevailing at Jhikargacha.