

One more DU student dies

Class suspended till Nov 12

By A Staff Reporter

Dhaka University classes will remain suspended from October 29 to November 12, according to official announcement on Sunday evening.

The decision was taken at an emergency meeting of the University Syndicate on Sunday evening in deference to the tragic accident at the Jagannath Hall on October 15.

Classes of the University will resume on November 16 after three days of normal holidays on November 13, 14 and 15, said a University press release.

The Syndicate meeting also condoled the death of two more injured students of Jagannath Hall and another student Santipriya Chakma who died of heart failure on Sunday noon.

Santipriya Chakma, a final year Accounting Honours examinee of Dhaka University, who dedicated himself to the service of the injured victims of Jagannath Hall for the last eleven days, fainted in his room no 11

of the East House of Jagannath Hall at 1 p.m.

He was immediately rushed to DMC Hospital where he was declared dead. Santipriya was scheduled to appear at his last two papers of the ongoing examinations on November 3 and 6 respectively.

His body was sent to his village home at Khagrachhari by a University bus in the evening. DUCSU V.P. Mr Akhtaruzzaman were among those who accompanied the body.

Santipriya's younger brother Dibakar Chakma, a first year student of Electrical and Electronics Department at the University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) fell unconscious at the news of his brother's death. He was later admitted to DMCH.

Another volunteer of the Student Action Committee Abdul Wadud, a student of Kabi Nazrul Islam College, who served in the hospital with Santipriya

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also became sick following Santi's death. Wadud was also admitted to DMCH.

Mr. Ratan Lal Chakraborty, a teacher of Bengali Department in Dhaka University fell unconscious on reaching the hospital to visit Santipriya. He was also admitted to hospital.

Meanwhile, the Ward No. 24 of Dhaka Medical College where six of the injured victims were admitted was closed on Sunday following tetanus infection of an injured student, Tapan.

All the patients of the ward were shifted to the corridor of the hospital, said our DMC correspondent.

Bangladesh Awami League, Central Students Action Committee and Bangladesh Chhatra League (A.M) in separate statements condoled the death and sympathised with the members of the bereaved family.



Santipriya's body being kept on the Shaheed Minar of Jagannath Hall till evening when it was carried by a university bus towards his village home Khagrachhari. — Times.