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Opinion poll on campus terrorism Political parties, teachers blamed for violence

Thirty-seven per cent students of Dhaka University opined that the political parties were the main guiding force behind the campus terrorism and 40 per cent thought that the teachers were using the students for their petty interests, according to a survey conducted recently, reports BSS.

The survey, conducted by the Institute of Statistical Research and Learning of the University, covered 1,031 students of whom 736 were male and 295 female students. 493 were residential students and rest of them were non-residential.

The findings of the survey were revealed in a seminar on "Dhaka University students opinions on campus violence, held Monday, arranged the Institute of Statistical Research and Learning

of the university. The Vice Chancellor of the University Prof. M. Moniruzzaman Miah attended the seminar as the chief guest.

The seminar was presided over by Ms. Khadija Khatun. Among others, Dr. Ashraf Uddin Khan, Prof. Akmal Hossain, Golam Rabbani and Shah Md. Suza addressed the seminar.

According to the survey 74 per cent students said police personnel kept themselves inactive during the violence as they were pressed from upper level. 46 per cent students thought that terrorists must be expelled from the campus and 30 per cent students opined that the university authorities could take help from the political parties to curb the violence.

The Vice Chancellor said the

campus politics had become perverted and crippled, and the violence was happenings for sharing tolls from construction works as well as businesses.

This was not related to the politics, he added. The VC said the university no longer existed as a sacred place of learning and added we wanted to expel those responsible for this.

The VC expressed his doubt whether it would be possible to out the trouble mongers from the campus even if the university authorities expel them.

The VC urged all concerned to resist violence through united movement saying otherwise it was not possible to eliminate terrorism from the campuses.