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Gunfire in DU campus: two students hurt

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Two students of Dhaka University were injured in an armed clash between two groups of a student organisation at Dhaka University campus on Sunday. Both the students were supporters of Bangladesh Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD).

A central committee member of JCD Kamal, an MSc. final student of Geography department was admitted to Dhaka

Medical College Hospital (DMCH) with bullet injury on the hip. While, the other injured student Iqbal, a final year honours students of Marketing department was taken to a city clinic with bullet injury in the hand and belly.

According to eyewitnesses, the conflicting groups rushed to the Madhu's canteen area and started firing indiscriminately. The clash continued for about ten minutes beginning from 12 noon. They opened at least 25 rounds of gun shots during the clash. The general students were found running helter skelter for safe shelter.

Police rushed the spot and arrested Shawkat Zaman, Mainul and Abul Kalam Azad and seized a motorcycle in this connection.

The DU Central Students Union (DUCSU) brought out a procession in protest against

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the armed violence on the campus. The procession was followed by a brief rally held in front of the Arts Faculty Building. The rally was addressed by the DUCSU VP Sultan Mohammad Monsur Ahmed and AGS Nasir ud Duza.

The speakers said that they would submit a list of the armed persons to the university authorities very soon. They called upon the general students to remain alert always against any move to vitiate the peaceful academic atmosphere of the university.

JCD President Asaduzzaman Ripon told UNB that his organisation has nothing to do with today's incident at Madhu's canteen. He criticised the law enforcing agencies for their failure to take action against those responsible for violence in the campus.

Series of clashes between supporters of Ovee and Ilias groups over the last one month left at least 12 persons injured five with gunshot wounds and seven knife injuries.