

Rival student groups clash Two JCD leaders shot dead in Chittagong

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CHITTAGONG, Nov 20: Two leaders of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) were shot dead and at least 20 others injured in an armed clash between the activists of two rival groups of student organisations at Chittagong Polytechnic Institute (CPI) here today.

The killed are: Jamiruddin, General Secretary of the Student Union of the Institute and a leader of JCD and Jahangir Farid, Convenor of JCD, CPI unit. Both of them were third year students of Mechanical and Civil Department of the CPI respectively.

The injured are identified as Nawshad, Chanchal and Tawhid. Nawshad was admitted to Chittagong Medical College Hospital (CMCH) and the condition of Nawshad was stated to be critical, doctors on duty at CMCH said.

Chanchal and Tawhid were

admitted to Holy Crescent Hospital while other injured took first aid at local hospital and private clinics.

According to witnesses, the attackers allegedly belonging to pro-Jamaat Islami Chhatra Shibir stormed into the CPI by three micro buses heavily equipped with fire arms.

The miscreants fired indiscriminately and also stabbed JCD leaders and activists on the campus.

Jamiruddin died on way to hospital and Jahangir succumbed to his injuries at the CMCH.

Leaders and activists of JCD brought out a procession protesting the killing after the incident.

They held a rally which was addressed among others by Nazmur Rahman and Mohammad Ali President and General Secretary respectively of JCD

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city unit.

Speakers at the rally blamed pro-Jamaat Islami Chhatra Shibir for the incident. They demanded immediate arrest and trial of the persons responsible for the incident.

Meanwhile, Minister for Fisheries and Livestock Abdullah Al Noman, who is here to inaugurate a trade fair at the inaugural speech at the fair strongly condemned the killing.

Earlier, Islami Chhatra Shibir called a half day strike tomorrow in protest against the incident.

Tension prevailing at Nasirabad, New Market, Lovelane, Lalkhan Bazar, and Mehediabag areas in the city following the violent incident.