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JCD calls for strike in all edn institutions Thursday

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Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) has called a day-long strike in all the educational institutions across the country on Thursday protesting Sunday's attack on a JCD procession which left at least 15 of their activists injured.

JCD will also stage demonstrations and bring-out protest rallies in educational institutions tomorrow to protest the attack which followed after their procession towards Prime Minister's office was stopped by police at Bangla Motor crossing Sunday noon.

JCD leaders announced the programmes at a rally at the Muktangan near Paltan crossing yesterday evening. Addressing the rally, leaders blasted the government for unleashing terror and repression on opposition forces. They also asked the government to immediately step down for its failure to handle law and order situation for frequent loadshedding and price hike of essentials.

Among others, JCD president Habib-un-Nabi Sohel, general secretary Nasiruddin Ahmed Pintu and student affairs secretary of the opposition BNP Amanullah Aman MP addressed the rally.

Following the rally, JCD also brought out a procession from the Muktangan which ended at BNP's central office in Naya Paltan. A huge contingent of riot police were seen covering the procession but no untoward incident was reported.

The pro-BNP JCD procession came under attack while marching towards the Prime Minister's office on Sunday to lay a siege there to press home their 12-point demands which include reduction of tuition fees, elimination of terrorism from campuses and punishment of persons responsible for the rapes at Jahangirnagar University.

The attack was reportedly led by a ruling party backed Jubo League leader Liaqat Hosain.