

## RUCSU polls postponed

RAJSHAHI, May 6: Islami Chhatra Shibir called a strike on the campus Saturday amid heightening tensions as the authorities today postponed the Rajshahi University Central Students' Union (RUCSU) elections, reports UNB.

The RU administration in a meeting, with VC Prof Abdul Khaleq presiding, took the postponement decision following a case filed by a student demanding revision of the voter list as his name was dropped.

In response to the case filed by a student of Language Certificate Course demanding further acceptance of nomination papers and imposing injunction on polls, the court issued a showcause notice on the authority to explain "why injunction will not be imposed" on the elections.

Election of five student representatives to the RU Senate and polls for all hall unions have also been stayed.

As the news of election cancellation broke spread over the campus, activists of student organisations, except the Awami League-backed BCL, burst into agitation, creating tensions among the pupils.

The unruly demonstrators in reprisals broke a number of vehicles on the Dhaka-Rajshahi highway at about 9pm.

Heavy contingent of police was deployed on the campus as tensions mounted.