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JU teacher probing 'vandalism' joins event against accused

Students end hunger strike

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Students of Jahangirnagar University last night withdrew their hunger strike after the university authorities assured them of withdrawing the case filed against 56 students.

JU Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof Amir Hussain broke the strike with offering water around 8:00pm and gave the assurance.

Earlier, the students, who face the case, started the protest on Saturday noon demanding withdrawal of the lawsuit filed over VC's residence vandalism on May 27.

Earlier, JU pro-Awami League backed teachers brought out a procession on the campus, demanding punishment for the "attackers" of the VC's house.

Prof Rasheda Akhter, a member of the committee formed to investigate the May 27 incident, joined the programme.

When asked, she said she did so "as a teacher not as a probe body member".

JU Vice-Chancellor Prof Farzana Islam said, "It would be good if she had not gone there." A teacher can express solidarity with their fellows, she added.

Meanwhile, a section of teachers and students expressed concern over the issue.

Prof Naseem Akhter Hossain, convener of "Teachers-Students Unity Platform", said, "It is unexpected... It may create unfriendly relations between teachers and students."

