

5 Barisal students beaten up for not joining procession

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A Bangladesh Chhatra League activist at the Institute of Health Technology in Barisal city and his cohorts "beat up and assaulted" its five residential students allegedly for not responding to his call to join a mourning procession yesterday.

The injured students are Roky, Sajal, Mehedy and Sanjib, and the name of the other victim could not be known immediately.

Equipped with sticks and iron rods, a group of outsiders led by Jahid Sharif, a first year student of IHT, beat the residential students as they did not join a Muktijoddha Projonmo League procession marking National Mourning Day, said IHT sources, adding that they also vandalised three rooms of a dormitory.

Subodh Chandra Mandal, deputy assistant superintendent of the dormitory, said actions would be taken against those who were involved in the incident.

Meanwhile, all the residential students bought out a procession on the campus, protesting the "attack".

Awlad Hossain, officer-in-charge of Kotwali Model Police Station, said the situation was brought under control, adding, "Police are deployed there."

However, Jahid could not be found to comment despite attempts.