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## CU VC firm to restore academic activities

From CU Correspondent

CHITTAGONG, Jan 21: Chittagong University (CU) authorities will take all emergency measures to resume the academic activities of the university immediately even if the student organisations opt not to help them in this regard, said CU Vice-Chancellor Abdul Mannan in an interview with The Daily Star today.

Mannan said, "The life of the sixteen thousand students cannot be destroyed due to activities of only sixty or seventy terrorists of some student organisations."

About the present stalemate and the siege programme called by Islami Chhatra Shibir (ICS) and its alliance, the VC said that CU authorities have taken some measures to restore academic atmosphere at the university.

The authorities formed a four-member liaison committee and an investigation committee to look into the December 19 incident. But the agitated student organisations refused to sit with the liaison committee and threatened to go for tougher agitation programmes.

The VC alleged that some teacher of the White Panel backed by BNP and Jamaat-e-Islami are organising the movement with the students.

"The administration can be strict with the terrorists, but if I do that some of my colleagues,

even some leaders of the ruling party will not like it. Under such circumstances I really feel helpless."

For the greater interest of sixteen thousand students I have sought intervention of the government. If the agitated student organisations do not cooperate with the liaison committee for resumption of businesses at the university immediately, I'm going call an emergency Syndicate meeting to take special measure for reopening of the University," she the VC.

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