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Prayer for peaceful exams

A mild mahfil was held yesterday (Friday) at the Salimullah Hall mosque of Dhaka University praying for a peaceful commencement of the forthcoming Masters examination, reports UNB.

The examinees for the 1987-88 session of MA, MSc and MSS of Salimullah Hall organised the milad after the Asar prayer as their examinations were earlier shifted five times and now rescheduled to begin on October 24.

The students, fed up with deferring examinations, collected money from themselves and organised the milad to pray for the timely and peaceful holding of their final examinations.

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But one round of gunshot was heard at the hall when students were returning from the mosque after the milad. Residents said more than seven rounds of gunshots were heard near the Zahurul Huq hall and the Salimullah hall during the day.

"We have been held hostages to arms and afraid of being attacked any time", Shafiqur Rahman Shafiq, an examinee of the Mass Communication and Journalism department told UNB after the milad.

Many of the students were disgusted at the continuing violence in the campus which resulted in frequent shifting of examinations.

As one student said the guardians were waiting for the day when their wards will pass out from campus and extend the family a helping hand in these days of hardship.

"We want to see smiling faces of our parents, who are eagerly waiting for our return", he said.

Nearly 5,000 students of Dhaka University, who were supposed to pass out their session in 1987-88, have already lost about three years due to unscheduled closure of the campus.