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Strike for VC's exit goes on at Jahangirnagar University

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A section of teachers and students have continued their strike for the third consecutive day demanding the removal of vice-chancellor Farzana Islam over allegations of corruption.

About 70 teachers and students took the position before the old registrar building at 9:00am and besieged it until 3:30pm, continuing their strike since Thursday under the banner of Jahangirnagar against Corruption.

Later they brought out a protest procession, parading the vice-chancellor's residence at the campus chanting slogans demanding her exit.

The protestors then blockaded the Dhaka-Aricha highway for an hour and a half in front of the main entrance of the campus.

The platform's spokespersons anthropology professor Sayed Ferdous declared the protest to continue ad infinitum until Farzana's removal from the campus.

The protestors alleged that the university administration spread propaganda against them on the social media to terminate the movement.

They also boycotted classes and examinations during the strike to expedite Farzana's exit.

Earlier the protestors formed Upacharya Apasaran Mancha in on Sunday amid their on-going strike.

The university Chhatra League urged the protestors to keep the classes and examinations out of their boycott and to maintain peaceful atmosphere on the campus.

The protest erupted on the campus on August 23 demanding a judicial inquiry into the reported involvement of the vice-chancellor in corruption and mismanagement of Tk 1445 crore development projects on the campus.

Farzana Islam allegedly forked out Tk 1.6 crore from the projects fund for the leaders of Jahangirnagar University Chhatra League. Three of Chhatra League activists confessed to receiving money from her.



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