

Anti-graft Agitation: Over hundred students confine JU VC for hours



Prof Farzana Islam.

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Demonstrating students kept Jahangirnagar University Vice Chancellor Prof Farzana Islam confined to her residence since yesterday evening, demanding her resignation over allegations of corruption.

Over 100 students took position in front of the VC's residence around 7:00pm and were continuing the demonstration when this report was filed early today.

“We have confined the VC to her residence. We will stay here until she resigns from the post,” said Mahathir Mohammad, general secretary of JU Samajtantrik Chhatra Front.

About 25 teachers joined the agitating students soon after they started demonstrating around 7:00pm.

WHY ARE JU STUDENTS PROTESTING?

The agitated students of JU have been demonstrating on the campus since August 23, demanding the relocation of three male students' dormitories which the authorities planned to construct near the Rabindranath Hall, and judicial probe into the allegations of corruption and irregularities that took place before the approval of these construction projects.

The students and teachers also protested against the corruption by the authorities and unplanned development works, which would endanger biodiversity on the campus.