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12 injured as BCL, JCD clash at DU

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Two persons including a policeman were injured in an armed clash between the activists of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) and Bangladesh Chhatra League (S-P) over teasing of a female student at the arts faculty premises of Dhaka University on Wednesday.

Sources said, the clash ensued as JCD activist Apel teased a female admission seeker named Rimi near the DUCSU building when she was submitting her form. After the incident Rimi's brother who is a student of Dhaka University and an activist of BCL attacked Apel along with some of his friends at about 4.30 p.m. They chopped Apel with chappatis. Later he was taken to Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH).

After the incident the JCD members brought out a procession on the campus protesting the attack on Apel. During the procession they also damaged a car in front of Modhu's Canteen.

BCL activists who took position in the Modhu's Canteen fired several rounds of gunshots to drive out the JCD activists from the campus. The JCD activists took position at JCD dominated halls area and began firing gunshots.

Driver of the police van Abul Hossain, who was in the vehicle parked in front of Modhu's Canteen received bullet injury in his left neck during the clash. He was admitted to Rajarbag Police Hospital.

Police arrested injured JCD activist Apel from the Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

Later, police raided Jasimuddin Hall, a strong-hold of JCD but failed to recover any arms or ammunition. None was arrested during the raid.

BCL members later brought out a procession and held a rally on the campus blaming JCD members for creating a reign of terror on the campus.

Addressing the rally, the BCL

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leaders said JCD activists attacked the BCL members deliberately to destroy the normal academic atmosphere of the university.

They demanded immediate arrest and punishment to those responsible for the incident.

The rally held at the Aparajeyo Bangla was addressed, among others, by BCL President Enamul Haq Shamim, General Secretary Ishaq Ali Khan Panna, Bahadur Bepary and Abdul Woadud Khokon.