

All-party procession in Rajshahi

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RAJSHAHI, Feb. 8.—State Minister for Law and Parliamentary Affairs Barrister Aminul Haque, Rajshahi City Corporation Mayor Mizanur Rahman Minu, ruling party MP Azizur Rahman and leaders of local opposition parties including Awami League brought out a silent procession in Rajshahi city on Monday violating Section 144 in protest against the armed terrorism by Jamaat-Shibir activists at Rajshahi University on Saturday.

The procession started from Rajshahi City Corporation office and ended in front of Rajshahi Press Club. Leaders and workers of BNP, Awami League, Communist Party of Bangladesh, NAP and Workers Party and their student fronts participated in the procession.

The All-party Alliance comprising BNP, Awami League, CPB, NAP, Workers Party and other opposition parties held a joint Press conference at Rajshahi Press Club in the afternoon demanding immediate removal

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of the VC, Pro-VC, Rajshahi Metropolitan Police Commissioner. They demanded ban on the politics of Jamaat, Shibir and cases against Jamaat-Shibir leaders for Saturday's incident.

They announced a three-day programme in the city in protest against the activists of Jamaat-Shibir forces. The programmes include a rally followed by a procession in the city today (Tuesday) violating Section 144, public meeting at Shaheb Bazar Square on Wednesday and two-hour token hartal in Rajshahi city on Thursday.

The alliance leaders condemned the role of the police during the gun battle on the campus. They alleged that five bodies were taken away by the police with the help of Shibir activists during Saturday's incident on the campus.

The joint Press conference was addressed by Advocate Qumrul Munir, President of Rajshahi District BNP, Advocate Mohammad Mohsin, District President of Awami League, Professor Shafiqur Rahman District President of CPB, and Mr. Fazle Hossain Badsha, Workers Party politburo Member and a former Vice-President of Rajshahi University Central Student Union (RUCSU).