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Rajshahi Medical College closed sine die.

From Our Correspondent

RAJSHAHI, Dec 31: Rajshahi Medical College was closed sine die today and students were vacated from their hostels following a series of clashes between the supporters of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal and Bangladesh Chhatra Dal (Nazmul-Shafiq).

The decision was taken in a meeting of the Academic Council of the college this noon.

According to students, tense situation developed yesterday when a student belonging to Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (Pro-BNP student wing) was manhandled as he defected the organisation and joined Bangladesh Chhatra League (pro-JSD group).

It led to chase and counter chase involving the supporters of both the student groups yesterday and setting fire to five rooms of Chhatra League workers in the evening. Sticks, bombs and fire arms were used during the clash.

The effort by the All Party Student Unity (APSU) however failed to minimise the tension as a large number of outsiders intervened into the affairs today.