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Illegal arms possession

11 JN Varsity College students convicted

A special tribunal court Sunday convicted 11 students of Jagannath University College and sentenced each to 26 years rigorous imprisonment for possessing illegal arms, reports UNB.

The convicts are Sukumer Sheikh Mohammad Nasimuz-zaman Asim Bhattacharjee Md. Shahidul Islam Lakhan Chandra Nath M.A. Samad alias Helal Billop Das Harun-or-Rashid Mahbubur Rahman Tapan Pal and Motilal.

According to the prosecution, the accused on August 1, 1991 attacked by activists of a rival student organisation of the same college with bombs and explosives when they were observing chehlum at the gate of the college. After a hot chase police took them to custody from Mahajan Club at 39, Patuailly Lane. Some arms including 3 pipe guns 10 rounds of live bullet, 12 cocktails, 10 ramdaos and daggers from their possession.

During the trial the court examined 4 witnesses and after hearing both sides tribunal Judge Abdul Gaffar found them guilty under section 19 (A), 19 (E) of the Arms Act and section 4 of the Explosive Substances Act and gave the verdict.