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BCL-Shibir clash at CU: 30 injured

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CHITTAGONG, Apr. 26.—At least 30 students were injured, four of them seriously in a clash between the supporters of Pro-AL Chhatra League and Jamaat backed Islami Chhatra Shibir in Chittagong University today.

The clash originated from an altercation and scuffle between two friends belonging to two separate political groups — Chhatra League and Shibir at Shah Jalal Hall (dormitory). The two friends picked up quartel over the petty issue of tearing of a banner at faculty building on the previous day.

The scuffle of two student political activities soon drew others into respective political sides of the discord. Then a clash broke out between the supporters of two student bodies at 10.30 a.m. This spread to the adjacent dormitory Shah Amanat Hall.

There were heavy brick-batting between the two sides. The two warring groups also freely used lethal weapons during the clash that lasted for about an hour. However, there was no report of shoot out.

The police finally intervened and brought the situation under control at around 1.30 a.m. After the clash, senior police officials visited the campus. A strong contingent of police is now posted at the university to maintain law and order.

Of the injured students, the four seriously injured are Mahiuddin Ibrahim, Saifuzzaman Likon, Aminal Huq and Mujibur Rahman Manju. Two of them were admitted to Chittagong Medical College Hospital, the rest two Mahiuddin Ibrahim and Mujibur Rahman are undergoing treatment at private clinics. The rest injured students were released from the hospital after first aid.