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Govt intervention in CU urged

CHITTAGONG, June 8: Teachers and guardians Saturday urged immediate government intervention fearing a bloody clash any time as Shibir supporters enforced strike afresh at Chittagong University and CUCSU announced counter-action to gherao them, reports UNB.

At a rally in the port city, they made the appeal to Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia as well as to the opposition leaders to intervene and free the campus from the grip of terrorism they blamed on Jamaat-Shibir activists.

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maat-Shibir activists.

The University teachers also announced they would go on a token hunger strike on Monday, if immediate steps are not taken to free the varsity from continued violence and gherao.

They warned they would be compelled to launch a combined march of teachers, students and people of all walks, towards the campus, held by Shibirites, to cleanse it in the last resort.

Held at the Milon Square Saturday afternoon, the rally was

presided over by Prof of Mathematics Department Fazley Hossain.

Those who spoke included former CUTA President Dr Abdul Wasi, President of the College-University Teachers Association Prof Shafiul Alam, Secretary General of District Bar Association Ibrahim Hossain Babul, General Secretary of the District unit of Bangladesh Mahila Samity Noor Jahan Khan, Dr. Hamida Banu of Physics Department, Prof Abdul Mannan, CUCSU VP Mohammad Nazimuddin and Samsunnahar Hall GS Rumana Kafi Jharna.

The Chittagong University Central Students Union (CUCSU) VP cautioned they would start their already-announced gherao around the campus today to purge the Shibirites.

The Shibir supported Sangrami Chharta Oikya and Sammalita Chhatra Oikya Parishad Saturday started a 72-hour campus strike to realise its demands including removal of the Vice-Chancellor Prof. Alamgir Mohammad Sirajuddin.

They said due to red-tapism of the government, the future of 12,000 students of the University had become uncertain.