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CU stalemate continues

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CHITTAGONG, May 14:—The stalemate in the academic life of Chittagong University continued for the eighth consecutive day today.

The deadlock in the academic life cropped up following an indefinite strike call given by the pro-AL Chhatra League since May 6 to protest what it called hooliganism of Shibir activists. The strike was the sequel to an armed clash between Chhatra League and Shibir workers that took place at the campus railway station during the reception of new students on May 5.

The situation in Chittagong University has now further aggravated against the backdrop of resistance programme drawn by the Shibir activists camouflaged under the banner—the Shikha Sangram Parishad of general students.

The Chhatra League activists took position at the main gate and laid a round-the-clock siege at the entrance to the university so that they can effectively get their strike call enforced by thwarting all sorts of traffic to and from the campus. They also successfully got the plying of shuttle trains carrying students from the city held up.

On the contrary, the Shibir activists tightened their grip on all the dormitories and mobilised their militant section. They gheraoed the Proctor office, held rallies and took out processions in support of their demand for freeing the university main gate from the "clutch of some trouble mongers".