

DU classes resume today

## Identity check of Hall students continues

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The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) which was signed by different student organisations earlier has been brought into effect from Sunday through verification of the genuine students in their respective dormitories of Dhaka University.

On the first day of verification drive, the authorities of all the halls including women halls gave directive to the hall inmates to come outside their respective halls by 9 a.m. for a while and allowed them to enter after verification of their identity cards.

The 10-point MOU was signed by ruling party's student front Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL), BNP's student wing Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) and Ganatantrik Chhatra Oikya (GCO), conglomeration of eight left-leaning student bodies on Thursday in a move to restore congenial academic atmosphere in Dhaka University.

Acting Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka

University Prof. Shahiduddin Ahmed, Proctor Mr. Nurunnabi, Dhaka University Teachers Association (DUTA) representative—Prof. A.T.M. Zahurul Haq (DUTA President), A.A. M.S. Arefin Siddique (DUTA General Secretary), Prof. A.K. Azad Chowdhury and leaders of different student organisations visited all the halls.

The acting Vice-Chancellor and his companion went to the Mohsin Hall at about 10.45 a.m. and again ordered the students to come outside the hall as both BCL and JCD leaders alleged that some outsiders were still inside the dormitory.

At the time a tense situation was prevailing at the hall premises as the leaders and activists of both the groups took position at the hall gate.

The hall Provost and house tutor with the assistance of police discharged their duties strictly.

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A large number of police personnel were deployed inside and outside of Mohsin Hall. Police searched the body of the students when they entered into the hall.

The first day of the drive at all the halls including three women halls passed off peacefully.

The university authorities will continue the drive for at least a week and if needed it will be extended for another seven days regarding making the halls free from outsiders and terrorists.

On the first day many students were seen gathering in front of their hall offices in order to make their identity cards. Some students of the university while talking to the Bangladesh Observer said that there were some outsiders and non-students who had somehow managed identity cards illegally.

Meanwhile, a leader of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) while talking to the Bangladesh Observer alleged that their leaders and activists were obstructed to enter their halls by the Gopalganj group of BCL (S-P) in Fazlul Haq Hall and Shahidullah Hall of the University.

He also said that they demanded immediate measures from the acting Vice-Chancellor regarding this and the acting Vice-Chancellor gave them assurance to solve the problem within short time.

Prof S.M. Imamul Haq, Provost Shahidullah Hall denied the allegation. He said he was at the hall throughout the day and said such incident did not take place at his hall.

The classes of Dhaka University will begin today (Monday) after a fortnight long unscheduled closure.

The classes were closed and the examinations were postponed due to the indefinite strike of JCD which was pushing the university towards session jam.

Opposition party BNP's student wing Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) called the indefinite strike in Dhaka University on August 26 de-

manding release of their arrested leaders including its President Shahiduddin Chowdhury Ani and Vice-President Nasiruddin Ahmed Pintu. They withdrew the strike from Saturday last as per 10-point Memorandum of Understanding which was signed among different student organisations including BCL and JCD.

The administrative activities began in the university from Saturday but the classes were not held as the university authorities closed the university for two days to conduct the verification of the genuine students at their respective dormitories.