

# SUST students give VC 48hrs to resign

*Teachers' movement continues*

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SHAHJALAL University of Science and Technology students on Thursday issued a 48-hour ultimatum to vice-chancellor Aminul Haque Bhuiyan to resign, or they would go for tougher agitations from September 6.

SUST General Students, a platform of the university students, issued the ultimatum at a sit-in in front of the vice-chancellor's office following a procession protesting at the attack on teachers on August 30 and demanding removal of the vice-chancellor.

Muktizuddher Chetanay Udbuddha Shikkhak Parisad, the platform of protesting pro-Awami League teachers of the university, also announced that they would observe work abstention on Sunday demanding removal of Aminul.

Forum convener Syed Shamsul Alam made the announcement after a four-hour token hunger strike in front of the vice-chancellor's office that marked the conclusion of their three-day protests for removal of Aminul and punishment of Chhatra League activists for the attack on teachers during their sit-in on August 6.

Reiterating the demand of a judicial inquiry into the allegations against the vice-chancellor, he said that their movement would continue until Aminul's removal.

He, however, said that the scheduled examinations at the university would remain be out of

purview of their movement.

Chiefs of different offices of the university also observed a two-hour work abstention from 9:00am protesting against the attack on teacher by the ruling Awami League-backed student body activists.

Aminul told reporters in the afternoon that the students were incited to join the movement against him.

He claimed that students of one or two departments join the demonstrations against him.

He said that many teachers, including Zafar Iqbal, had claimed that students should not be involved in teachers' affairs. 'What did they do today,' he posed a question.

At least 10 teachers of the university were injured as Chhatra League men attacked teachers on August 30 when the teachers were staging a sit-in demanding removal Aminul.

Chhatra League central committee suspended three leaders of its unit at the university on Monday and the university administration suspended four students, also Chhatra League activists on Tuesday on charge of attacking the teachers.

A section of the pro-AL teachers started their protests on April 20 for Aminul's removal on allegation of irregularities, nepotism and misbehaviours with the teachers. Thirty five senior teachers, including Zafar Iqbal, had resigned from 37 administrative posts expressing 'no-confidence' in Aminul.