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DU fake admission racketeer flees country

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Anirudda Bhadra Omi, a fake student of Dhaka University (DU) and one of the members of the admission racket has fled the country and is now reportedly trying to get himself admitted into a private college in Kolkata.

The student known on the DU Campus as one of the members of arranging fake admissions in the

university managed to flee to India by road. He left the country fearing arrest by the law enforcing agencies.

He at a time managed his own admission through bribing a corrupt person and raised the bribe money from the other admission seekers who sought his help.

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Through the powerful gang in the University, Omi first got himself admitted into the Public Administration department in 2003-2004 session. Later he migrated to the International Relations department by paying Taka. 1.5 lakh to Abul Hossain.

Two other members of the racket have been identified as Abul Hossain, Administrative Officer of International Relations (IR) department and another, Swapan, a former central leader of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD), student wing of BNP.

Abul Hossain, Chief of the gang went to India earlier. On the other hand, Swapan allegedly took Taka. 3 lakh from Omi for admitting students into the university illegally. The duo is yet to be nabbed by the law enforcing agencies.

Omi was directly involved with the gang and started the illegal business in cooperation with Abul Hossain and Swapan. He collected the admission seekers from rich families and helped them to get admitted into the university through fraudulence.

According to sources, he helped more than 50 students to get admitted into the DU in 2002-2003, 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 sessions in different departments. They all were identified as "fake" by a probe body. Omi took Taka 3 lakh from each admission seeker. He received Taka 1 lakh from each deal as commission. Thus he earned huge amount of money.

According to sources, the racket that managed the fake admissions in DU is powerful. The fake admissions in DU took place involving three agencies---some unscrupulous officials, politically connected student leaders and a good number of coaching centres in the city.