

BCL strike paralyses CU

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CHITTAGONG, 18:-Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) enforced indefinite strike and blockade paralyzed the operation of Chittagong University (CU) today. The BCL, student wing of the Awami League, announced the non-stop strike on the campus in support of its eight point demands. The demands included removal of Vice Chancellor M Badiul Alam and Proctor, withdrawal of expulsion order of its four workers, removal of Officer-in-Charge of Hathazari police station and action against the attackers on its mourning day rally. The agitated BCL workers blocked the two CU-bound shuttle trains at Sholoshahar rail station at about 8:30 a.m. and disrupted its usual trips.

Earlier, the loco master of the university train suffered wounds at Jhawtala railway station this morning when BCL workers showered stones on him. Apart from disrupting train service the BCL workers also forced CU-bound private buses and minibuses going out of the road.

Sources said that the schedule classes and examinations of the university were postponed, as students could not travel to the campus for want of transports. The BCL supporters held a rally at the university rail station, in support of its ongoing strike. Police have been deployed on the campus to maintain law and order. Leaders of the organization accused CU VC, Proctor and police of playing puppet-like roles during attacks on their mourning day rally.

Proctor of the university Professor Mohammad Jasim Uddin told this correspondent that the university authority had been reviewing strategy to get out of the trou-