

Male intrusion as many as 7 times alleged RU female students need more security at halls

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RAISHAHI UNIVERSITY, May 14:—The female residential halls of Rajshahi University (RU) are now a place of risk for the students because of hermit thieves. Though the hermit entering practice is going on from a long day, presently, the culture of this is increasing.

Sources said, from a long day thieves entered RU female residential halls at night and they sneaked in with mobile phones, gold ornaments and valuable things of the students.

Female students of RU claimed the thieves as male but, the University authority refuted their complains in many times though the girls have proved several times they were right. Rather reversely the RU authority claimed several times that some students are seeing ghost at night because of their ill mentality. Sometimes they have claimed that some students are involved as conspirator for RU administration.

In this case numerous times female students of RU plunged on threat from RU authority. Sometimes hall provost of respective hall warned the students to go out from halls.

On 29 October, 2004 there intruded a male young thief at RU Taposi Rabeya hall at late night. At that time general students of RU disputed demanding tight security measures of campus including residential halls.

About 300 students and fifteen teachers were badly injured by police and cadres of former government for their movement.

Moreover on 27 September late night, 2006, there was a sneak by male thief at Taposi Rabeya hall. On 12 October, 2006 there also entered a young outsider at late night jumping the wall of same hall.

On 29 November and 7 December of 2007, there occurred the same incident at Rakeya hall and stole ten mobile sets of students two times.

On Feb 3, 2008 there entered a young thief jumping the wall of halls of Begum Rokeya hall and stole three mobile phone and some valuable papers of students.

On February 19, 2008 a thief sneaked into Tapasi Rabeya Hall and stole three mobile phones and a gold chain of Taslima Akter Dipti, Suraiya Bithi, Morium and Momota all of the residential students and injured a female student by the thief.

After the incident there placed an investigation report headed by Prof. Golam Kabir which informed that there was no incident of thief on Feb.19.

And then on Feb. 25 residential students of five female halls boycotted the probe report in a Press conference. They also demanded tight security measures including 11 male residential halls.

Mahbuba Afroz Dina, a student of Begum Rokeya hall said, "After

7 pm police create pressure not to stay any people in front of the female hall. But how thieves enter halls at late night? If administration can't ensure the security of female students they should be removed. We want full fledged security of residential halls."

While contacted over Telephone Vice Chancellor of RU Prof. M. Altaf Hossain said, "female students are as like as daughters of us. Normally we give highest priority about the security and try to make the solution from thefts case soon as possible. We have already taken some initiatives about the matter. But he refused giving any arms to the hall guard because he does not believe that that's necessary".