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Cuet closes till June 24 after BCL factional clash

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The Chittagong University of Engineering and Technology (Cuet) authorities closed the university till June 24 following a clash between two factions of Bangladesh Chhatra League on the campus yesterday.

Cuet Director (Student Welfare) Dr Ashutosh Saha said the male resident students were asked to vacate their dormitories by 3:00pm yesterday, and the female students by 9:00am today.

"All the classes and examinations of the university have been postponed till June 24," he said.

The clash ensued between two factions of Shaheed Tarique Huda Hall unit of BCL -- one led by Mosleh and another by Pavel -- following an altercation between some supporters of the groups around 1:00am.

The university authorities and law enforcers went to the spot and brought the situation under control, Cuet Pro-Vice Chancellor Rafiqul Alam.

At least three students were injured in the clash, said Cuet sources.

Of the injured, Md Nayeb, a student of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) department and a supporter of Mosleh group, was rushed to Chittagong Medical College Hospital, said hospital sources.

Claiming that the members of Mosleh group are supporters of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD), Pavel group's leader Mehedi Hasan Pavel said the clash ensued when his supporters resisted the activities of Mosleh group and tried to get them out from the dormitory.

Despite several attempts over cellphone, Mosleh group leader Mosleh Uddin could not be contacted for his comment.

Cuet BCL unit General Secretary Rashidul Abedin Chowdhury Sajid, however, said both Pavel and Mosleh are members of BCL.