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Dissident BCL activists form DU unit

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Dissident and deprived leaders of Bangladesh Chhatra League yesterday formed a committee for Dhaka University (DU) BCL unit, rejecting the new committee announced by the central BCL leaders on Tuesday night.

Shahadat Hossain Sujan, former vice-president of immediate past DU BCL unit, announced the names of 57

members of 101-member committee at a press conference at Teacher-Student Centre. M Mizanur Rahman and Gaffari Russell were made president and general secretary.

The committee comprises 18 vice-presidents, six joint general secretaries and six organising secretaries.

At the press conference, the dissident leaders claimed they are genuine representatives of the BCL at the

university. "During the last five years, we worked hard for the organisation, but we were deprived of any places on the central committee and the DU committee," said a leader.

Asked about the legitimacy of their committee, the dissident leaders said they formed the committee according to the BCL constitution and most members of the immediate past committee have supported it.

After the announcement of the committee, some 50 BCL leaders and workers took out a procession on the campus hailing the formation of the committee by the dissident leaders.

On Tuesday, BCL central leaders had announced the new DU BCL committee with Sohel Rana Tipu and Sazzad Saqib Badsha Mia as president and general secretary.