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Verdict in case against six RU teachers today

BSS, Rajshahi

Verdict of the case filed against six teachers of Rajshahi University (RU) for violating the state of emergency is likely to be delivered today.

Police had lodged the case against the six on charges of their involvement in bringing out procession violating Emergency Power Rules 2007 and allegedly instigating vandalism on August 21 and 22 on the RU campus.

After completing investigation into the case, police submitted charge sheet accusing them under section 3(4) and 8(2) of the Emergency Power Rules 2007.

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Six RU teachers

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The accused teachers -- Prof Dr Saidur Rahman Khan, former RU vice chancellor, Prof Dr Abdus Sobhan of Applied Physics and Electronics Department, Associate Prof Moioy Kumar Bhowmik, chairman of Management Department, and Assistant Professors of Mass Communication Department Selim Raza Newton, Dulal Chandra Biswas and Abdullah Al Mamun -- are currently in jail custody.

Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Ruhul Amin recorded argument proceedings on last Tuesday and fixed the judgement date for today. Earlier, the court recorded depositions of 23 prosecution witnesses.

Sub-Inspector of police Shamsul Alam represented the state while seven lawyers of the local bar led by Golam Arif Tipu represented the accused teachers.