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Classes suspended, students vacate hall

1 killed, 25 hurt in DMC BCL factional clash

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The authorities of Dhaka Medical College (DMC) on Tuesday closed the institution for an indefinite period following a series of clashes between the two factions of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) that left a student killed and 25 injured.

The authorities at an

emergency academic council meeting also asked the students to vacate the hall by 4.00pm to prevent further violence on the campus. The meeting also decided to postpone all scheduled classes and examinations of the MBBS courses.

However, the postgraduate

examinations would be held as per the schedule. Foreign students will stay in the hall.

Abul Kalam Asad Rajib, general secretary of Dr. Fazle Rabbi Hall unit of the BCL who was beaten and lying unconscious for nearly three hours after being dropped from the third floor of the

Hall, died at Combined Military Hospital (CMH) at 6.30pm.

Sources said two factions of the BCL on Monday night locked into clashes at Dr. Fazle Rabbi Hall. The clash erupted at about 1:45am between the supporters of hall

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1 killed

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unit General Secretary Abul Kalam Asad alias Rajib and former BCL leader Dr. Bidyut Barua over establishing supremacy at the Hall that left 25 were injured. They were admitted to the medical section of the college.

The BCL faction led by Rajib alleged that the outsiders carried out the attack. But the general students said the BCL factions led Rajib and Bidyut Barua had been involved in clashes for weeks over control of the campus.

The DMC authorities have formed a three-member committee with Prof. Muhiuddin Ahmed as the head to investigate the incident. The other members are Dr. Abdul Al Mamun and Dr. Mohamad Belal Alam. The Committee asked to submit their report in 10 working days.