

## USTC closed over campus violence

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CHITTAGONG, Mar 22: More than a dozen students of University of Science and Technology, Chittagong (USTC) suffered wounds four of them critically in a clash between two groups of students reportedly over trifling matter yesterday afternoon.

The university administration formed a six-member probe body to detect the reasons of the incident and people involved in it immediately after the clash. Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the university Dr. Mohammad Zafar Alam has been made head of the probe body which would report to the higher authorities within earliest possible.

The probe body reportedly

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began its operation this morning and questioned a number of eye-witnesses of the incident. On the other hand, authorities in a bid to stop spreading of the feud in and around the campus suspended lecture, demonstration and laboratory sessions of all departments until March 28.

Offices of the university will remain open as usual. Khulshi police, quoting the campus sources said that the clash ensued over teasing and subsequent hurling of abusive language to a student of Business Administration Department by a student of Pharmacy Department. Both the students scuffled after brawling for some time.

Later, friends and well-wishers of the warring students involved in the clash and chased each others with lethal weapons leaving several of them wounded. Invited by the university authorities, Khulshi police entered the campus and drove the warring groups away.