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Two including student leader shot dead in Kushtia

KUSHTIA, Apr. 19:—Two people, including a student leader, were shot dead and seven others injured in a fierce gun attack on a BNP leader's home at Majdiar village in Doulatpur upazila early hours on Friday, reports UNB.

Witnesses said the "cadres" of Moinuddin Mohan, Moricha UP Chairman and vice-president of Doulatpur Upazila Awami League, attacked the house of Jahangir Alam Jhalu, ex-chairman and vice-president of Upazila BNP, at about 1.30 am.

The attackers opened fire on the supporters of Jhalu deployed in front of his house in the wake of murderous rivalries between the sitting and past union chairmen belonging to the two antagonistic political camps.

"During the stormy attack, armed terrorists numbering 25-30 also indiscriminately stabbed Jhalu's followers," said a report from the spot.

"The terrors at the directive of UP chairman, Mohan attacked my home in order to kill me," says the report quoting the ruling party leader, Jhalu.

Jhalu's uncle Pintu and his nephew Saiful, a Chhatra Dal leader and also masters student, were shot down on the spot amid the mayhem.

The bullet-injured people were identified as Mizu, Shah Alam, Hafiz Chowkidar and Saiful. Of them, Mizu and Alam were admitted to Kushtia General Hospital in critical condition.

Angered by the ruthless attack, local people later went on the rampage torching the house of an Awami League activist, Safayet, in the area.

Local BNP leaders alleged that these are the same terrorists who had abducted a BNP activist, Arab Ali, earlier this month.

Tensions were prevailing in the area following the terrible incident that panicked all around as the news spread.