

ALLEGED SEXUAL HARASSMENT

DU teacher's removal Demanded

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A group of students at Dhaka University (DU) yesterday staged a demonstration on the campus demanding removal of a teacher of Psychology Department for allegedly sexually harassing a female student of the same department.

Students under the banner of 'general students' took out a procession that paraded different streets on the campus and held a rally at the foot of Aparajeyo Bangla at noon to press home their demand.

However, leaders of several left-leaning student organisations and Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL), student wing of Awami League, alleged that activists of Chhatra Mukti, student wing of the 'Hijbut Tahreer', a controversial Islamist group, held the demonstration programmes.

Sources said no sooner had the agitating students attended the main entrance of arts building, a group of BCL activists chased them. Following BCL's chasing, agitating students ran through different corridors of the building and entered the girls' common rooms.

DU Pro-Vice Chancellor Prof AFM Yusuf Haider said, "We have got the complaint and now it is under the hand of the vice chancellor (VC). He will take a decision on the issue after returning in the country."

Mentionable, DU VC Prof SMA Faiz is now in a visit to the United States.