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One killed, 11 injured as BCL factions clash at Gournadi

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AT LEAST one activist was killed and 11 others injured at Gournadi upazila of Barisal when two factions of Bangladesh Chhatra League clashed on Monday night.

Rumman Fakir, 22, died from critical injuries at Dhaka Medical College Hospital about 9:30am Tuesday.

Condition of Hira Bepari and Ferdous Talukdar, BCL activists of its Gournadi Government College unit, is still unstable.

As the death news reached Gournadi, BCL activists and local people brought out processions and vandalised vehicles, including a bus of Isha Paribahon carrying police personnel and blocked the highway at Kasba-Torki point for an hour.

The police and eyewitnesses said the fight of Monday night happened between two groups of Gournadi Government College unit BCL, one led by unit president Luthfar Rahman Dvip, and the other by unit secretary Jobayerul Islam Santu Bhuiya.

The clash broke out about 9:30pm Monday near Gournadi bus stand in which fire arms, explosives, sharp weapons were used. During the fight traffic stopped at the spot on Barisal-Dhaka highway as the two groups chased each other.

Forces for the Gournadi police rushed to the spot and the situation came under control by 11:00pm.

Abul Kalam Azad, officer-in-charge of the Gournadi police, said they arrested college unit BCL secretary Santu Bhuiya.

Rumman's family filed case, the OC said.