

BAU teachers protest Chhatra Front's activities

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THE Teachers' Association of Bangladesh Agricultural University on Sunday protested against the activists of Samajtantrik Chhatra Front for 'misbehaving' with teachers on 9 October.

The activists of the Samajtantrik Chhatra Front were assaulted by Bangladesh Chhatra League's members as well as the proctor while they were protesting against hike of the admission fee, and now even face expulsion from the university.

A series of photographs and video footage aired on television showed that the proctor, accompanied by BCL men, was punching a female student during the rally on the campus on 9 October.

The university authorities, without taking action against the Chhatra League activists on 16 October, suspended the studentship of nine activists of the Samajtantrik Chhatra Front for 'misbehaving' with teachers on 9 October.

The BAU teacher association formed a human chain in front of the university's central library for one hour from 11:00am. BAU Officer's Parishad,

BAU Class-3 Workers' Parishad, BAU Class-4 Workers' Association and the University Technical Workers' Association also joined the human chain.

The speakers said that the university administration banned any procession or assembly on the campus during class hours, but on 9 October activists of the Samajtantrik Chhatra Front, accompanied by some outsiders, brought out a 'militant procession' on the campus.

Without any provocation, they 'misbehaved' with some teachers'.

They, however, did not say anything about Chhatra League's activities on the day.

A large numbers of teachers including BAU students adviser Sultan Uddin Bhuiyan, Teachers' Association's president Abdur Rahman Sarker, leaders of Sonali Group of teachers Ismail Hossain and Akhtaruzzaman, Democratic Teachers' Forum's leaders Shamsuddin and AKM Zakir Hossain, assistant proctor Nasrin Sultana, BAU Chhatra League's president Shamsuddin Al Azad, and general secretary Rafiquzzaman Emon were among those who addressed the participants of the human chain.