

**PROTEST AT BLOGGERS' ARREST**  
**DU teachers, students to besiege VC's office tomorrow**

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DHAKA University teachers and students on Thursday said that they would lay siege to the vice-chancellor's office tomorrow to push for an unconditional release of the bloggers the government arrested on charge of 'hurting religious sentiments of the Muslims' with their online postings.

They announced their fresh round of programmes at a press conference at the university's central students' union building on Thursday afternoon.

The Detective Branch arrested bloggers Moshir Rahman Biplob, Russell Parvez and Subrata Adbikar Shubha, also a student of the Bangla department of the university on April 1 and blogger Asif Mohiuddin on April 3. They were all remanded in police custody for interrogation.

At the press conference in the university on Thursday, Bangla teacher Rafiqullah Khan, reading out a statement, said, 'We will lay siege to the vice-chancellor's office at 12 noon on April 13. They would also hold a rally at 10:00am at Aparajeya Bangla on the day.'

The protesters said that they would bring out a torch procession from Raju Memorial on the campus at 7:00pm today.

The government is silent even after we have given an ultimatum, formed human chains, held protests and brought out processions... The university administration also has not taken any step and it has remained silent as it was before,' Rafiqullah said.

He said, 'The youths did not explode bombs, cut anyone's ligaments, hack anybody with knives, kill anyone, destroy public property or vandalise Shaheed Minars and insult the national flag... They were arrested only for exercising the freedom of expression.'