

Two DU, JnU students held for 'mugging' suspended

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Two students of Dhaka University and Jagannath University, who were detained on Dhaka University campus on Monday for allegedly robbing a youth by threatening to rape his female friend about a fortnight back, were suspended by the respective university authorities yesterday.

Police yesterday handed Rajib Baroi, a third year student of Pali & Buddhist Studies of DU, and Amit Kumar Das, a third year Philosophy student of JnU, to the Detective Branch of police.

On August 16 evening, a gang of around five stopped Ansar Ali Limon and his female friend at the TSC gate of Suhrawardy Udyan park and took away Ali's debit card and the

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girl's necklace, mobile phones and earrings. Meanwhile, some 8-10 youths joined in and threatened Ali that they would rape the girl unless he provided them with the debit card's PIN. As Ali complied, one group held back the duo and another went to the Dutch Bangla Bank's ATM booth at the TSC and withdrew Tk 50,000 from his account.

"The duo have admitted to their crime in primary inquiry. We are trying to nab the others," DB Joint Commissioner Monirul Islam said at a press conference yesterday.

The two introduced themselves as activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League to police.

According to hall sources, Rajib is a vice-president of BCL Jagannath Hall unit. However, Sajib Biswas, general secretary of BCL Jagannath Hall, said Rajib is only an activist.

Amit also used to stay in Jagannath Hall of DU.

When questioned about Amit, DU Proctor AM Arnzad said, "We will hand over all the illegal residents of the hall to police."