

JCD, Shibir clash at Ctg Polytech: 10 hurt

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Ten students were injured, two of them seriously, when activists of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) and Islami Chhatra Shibir (ICS) clashed on Chittagong Polytechnic Institute (CPI) campus yesterday.

All the injured were the members of JCD, the student wing of ruling Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP).

The seriously injured students Janir and Khaled were admitted to Chittagong Medical College Hospital (CMCH).

Sources said the two student

bodies locked in a clash over the presentation of bouquet to Abdus Salam Pintu, deputy minister for education, at the freshers' reception.

Eyewitnesses said, the clash erupted when some 30 to 35 ICS men tried to present a bouquet to the deputy minister who was sitting on the stage at about 12.30 noon.

But the JCD men obstructed them and slapped one of the ICS leaders.

As a result, a clash ensued and JCD activists ousted the ICS men from the campus after chasing them.

Ahmedul Haq Chowdhury, general secretary of JCD Chittagong city unit, said the ICS cadres wanted to foil the function by resorting to violence.