

Police submit charge sheets of 13 cases on DU violence

Four DU teachers among 36 accused charged

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Police on Sunday submitted chargesheets of 13 cases in connection with the student unrest of Dhaka University (DU) accusing 36 persons including four DU teachers.

With these a total of 53 cases have been filed with different police stations in the city in connection with the unexpected student protests that flared up following a brawl between students

and some Army personnel on DU central playground on August 20.

Already, police have submitted the final reports of 38 cases while the rest are under investigation

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sources said.

"The 36 accused were identified from video footage and through police investigation," said DMH Commissioner Nayeem Ahmed.

Of the accused, 12 persons, including two DU teachers Prof. Dr. Anwar Hossain and Prof. Dr. Harun-or-Rashid were arrested shortly after the incidents.

Over 82,000 anonymous people were made accused in the 53 cases of violence during angry protesters, mainly led by university and college students.

Meanwhile, the Dhaka University Syndicate urged the government to play a liberal role in removing the "sense of insecurity" now prevailing among the teachers and students of the university following the arrests of two senior teachers and "harassment" of general students.

The syndicate, the highest decision making body in a recent statement said that the incidents was an "unfortunate" one.

They hoped that the Judicial Inquiry Commission would be able to find out the reasons behind the spread of the violent demonstrations across the country even after the withdrawal of an army camp from the DU campus and the apology of the government.

The Syndicate also called upon the government to be "sympathetic" with and to have a "positive attitude" towards the arrested deans of the university.

Referring to "harassment" of students, the statement said that many DU students were subjected to indiscriminate attacks and harassment while they were returning home after closure of their dormitories on August 22 which was "very unfortunate".

The DU Syndicate also demanded investigation into such incidents of harassment of the students.