

Probe body visits spots of DU incidents

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The judicial commission formed to probe the incidents of Dhaka University visited the DU gymnasium on Sunday where the unexpected student protest broke out over a brawl between students and some army personnel on August 20.

As part of an investigation, the head of the one-member commission, Justice Habibur Rahman Khan surveyed key spots on the campus, and interviewed a number of people in connection with the investigation.

The retired Supreme Court judge visited the spots ground where the original altercation between students and army men took place, the area where the army camp had been located, and the university buildings, students had vandalised during the days of violence on the campus.

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Justice Khan also visited the room at the Senate Bhaban where negotiations had taken place after the altercation—a tripartite meeting between army personnel, students and teachers.

Justice Khan, a former judge of the Supreme Court, visited the Vice-chancellor's residence and Senate building as part of his on-the-spot investigation.

DU VC Prof. SMA Faiz, Pro-VC Prof. Yusuf Haider, Treasurer Syed Abul Kalam Azad and the Assistant Proctor Prof. Nazmul Ahsan Kalamullah were present.

The commission chief took depositions from the vice chancellor's protocol officer Siddikur Rahman, chairman of public administration department Prof. Nazmul Ahsan Kalamullah, physical instructor Azad Rahman, referee of the football game that sparked the violence Md Jalaluddin, and DU gymnasium director Shawkatur Rahman.

The commission had earlier recorded statements of seven people over three working days since Aug 28: five university teachers, a student and an official of Dhaka University.

Meanwhile, the chairmen and directors of different departments and institutes of DU met vice-chancellor Prof. SMA Faiz on Sunday and requested him to take steps to reopen the university as soon as possible.