

Prices of SUST admission forms increased 33pc

Students continue demo for reducing prices

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STUDENTS of Shahjalal University of Science and Technology continued their demonstration for the third consecutive day on Monday, demanding withdrawal of the increased prices of admission forms.

Students, under the banner of Bharti Foromer Mullobriddhi Birodi Shikhharti Mancha, formed a human chain in front of the central library on the campus at about 11:00am and later, held a rally to press home their demand.

Leaders and activists of different socio-cultural organisations of the university attended the programmes expressing their solidarity.

Speakers at the rally said that the university authorities' decided of increasing the prices of admission forms 33.33 per cent at a time was illogical.

BFMBM spokesperson Sarowar Tushar presided over the rally.

He said that they would continue their movement until the demand was met.

Among others, Theatre SUST president Mizanur Rahman, Dik Theatre president Tanu Dip, Shikar president Nipun Kumar Nath, Mabhai Abritti Sangshad president Kasib Munna and Sports SUST former president Sharif Sohag, addressed the programme.

After the rally, agitating students brought out a protest procession on the campus and later, they staged a sit-in programme in front of the vice-chancellor's office in the afternoon.



Students of Shahjalal University of Science and Technology bring out a procession on SUST campus on Monday, demanding withdrawal of the increased prices of admission forms. — New Age photo

They also conducted a mass-signature campaign from 1:00pm to 5:00pm at Arzuntala on the campus to collect signatures in favour

of their demand.

SUST officials said that price of the admission form for A unit has been fixed at Tk 1,000 which was Tk 750

in the last year and for B unit, Tk 1,200, which was Tk 900 in the previous year.

First year admission tests under 2016-17 session of the university was scheduled for November 26 and aspirants were asked to fill up the online admission form in between October 16 and November 10, officials said.

SUST admission committee member secretary Belayet Hossain acknowledged that the demand of reducing prices of the forms was logical and it would be considered.

The admission committee would hold an emergency meeting on Tuesday afternoon to discuss on the issue, he added.