

10 including four reporters injured in BCL attack at JnU

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Jagannath University

Some activists of Jagannath University unit of Bangladesh Chhatra League, the students' wing of the ruling Awami League, on Sunday attacked the activists and leaders of Progressive Students Alliance on the campus, leaving ten including four campus correspondents injured.

The Chhatra League launched the attack for staging demonstrations extending support towards the demand for quota reform in the government jobs.

The injured leaders and activists of Progressive Students Alliance are Samajtantrik Chhatra Front JnU unit president Kishor Kumar Sarker, general secretary Golam Rabby, organising secretary Somit Bhowmik, office secretary Animesh Roy, Bangladesh Chhatra Union JnU unit president Ruhul Amin and activist Khairul Hasan Jahin.

Among the journalists, Latiful Islam of the Daily Samakal, Aslam Arko of the Daily Amar Sangbad, Ahsan Mahbub Jubair of the Daily Ittefaq and Kobir Hossain of Daily Sun were injured by Chhatra League activists when they were covering the event and also protesting the BCL assault on their fellow Samy Sarker.

The injured were rushed to university medical center and nearby private hospitals for primary treatment.

Later, they were shifted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital for better treatment.

Kishor Kumar Sarker said that some 15 Chhatra League activists swooped on them at around 12:30pm and left them at least six injured when they were staging demonstrations on the campus in favour of quota reformation.

Kobir Hossain told New Age, 'Some BCL activists attacked us, while we were covering the BCL attack.'

'We have submitted a written complaint to the university authorities regarding the matter,' he said.

When approached, BCL JnU unit general secretary Md Joynul Abedin Rasel told New Age, 'If any Chhatra League activist is proved to be involved in this incident, steps will be taken against them.'

The university vice-chancellor Mijanur Rahman told New Age, 'The university authorities got a written complaint in the regard.'

'Steps will be taken after investigation,' he said.



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