

8 pvt university students denied bail again

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None of the 22 private university students, arrested by the police at the night of August 6 during the student protests demanding transport sector anarchy and demanding safe roads, have been granted bails so far.

On Monday, Dhaka metropolitan magistrate Pranab Kumar Hui rejected the bail petition of eight of the students - Rashedul Islam, Musfqur Rahma, Hasan, Jahidul Haque and Nur Mohammad, Saber Ahmed, Shiab Shariar and Shakhawat - who sought bail for the second time.

Police arrested them in two cases lodged with Badda and Bhatara Police Stations on August 7 for their alleged involvement in vandalism and attacks on police.

Of the eight, Rashedul, Musfqur, Hasan, Jahidul and Nur are accused in the case with Badda Police Station and Saber, Shiab and Shakhawat with Bhatara Police Station.

Advocate Abu Yusuf, one of the defence counsels of the accused, submitted to the court that the students were being harassed though they were not involved in any destructive acts or attacking police.

He submitted that the students were in protests for road safety which was a social movement.

If they remained in jail, he argued, their student life would be at stake.

The lawyer sought their bail so that they could go back to their classes and save their lives from being ruined.

On Sunday, the same court rejected bail petition filed by four other private university students.

On August 7, police produced the 22 students before the court seeking a seven-day remand and the court allowed two days in police custody for interrogation.

On August 9, police, on completion of their remand, produced them before Dhaka Metropolitan Magistrate Satyabrata Shikdar who sent the students to jail, rejecting their bail petitions.

Fourteen of them were arrested in the case with Badda Police Station and eight others with Bhatara Police Station. They are students of East West University, North South University and BRAC University.



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