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BCL beats 2 students, DU forms committee

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Two Dhaka University students were allegedly beaten by the activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League on Wednesday amid the protest of students against affiliation of seven government colleges with the university.

On the day, some classes were held amid the less presence of students while activists of Chhatra League took position at different points.

Awami League general secretary Obaidul Quader on Wednesday said that the prime minister Sheikh Hasina would take the decision on the issue after she returns home and the university authority has formed an 11-member committee submit report on the crisis by 10 working days.

The students continued their demonstration for the fourth consecutive day demanding an end to affiliation of seven government colleges with the university, issuing separate certificates in separate colour and design to the students of the affiliated colleges mentioning the names of colleges until the institutions' affiliation was cancelled, automation of the university's administrative and academic activities, controlling the traffic of outsiders on the campus, and fixing rickshaw fares on the campus.

Activists of Chhatra League took position in front of all administrative and academic buildings of the university since morning barring the protesters to get inside these buildings.

Classes held at different departments amid less presence of the students.

Md Abu Raihan, a second year student of Arabic said that around 11:00am in front of Institute of Nutrition and Food Science a group of SM Hall unit Chhatra League activists beat him while he along with four female students were going to join the protest.

At that time, Ahnaf Tahmid, a first year student of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, protested at the attack and was subsequently beaten up by Chhatra League supporters.

Ahnaf told New Age that he could not identify the attackers who beat him for protesting against verbal abuse of the female students. He got minor injury on one eye.

The protesters on Wednesday told to reporters that they would continue the protest until their demands were met.

Earlier on February 17, 2017, Dhaka College, Eden Mohila College, Government Shaheed Suhrawardy College, Kabi Nazrul Government College, Begum Badrunnesa Government Women's College, Mirpur Government Bangla College and Government Titumir College were affiliated with Dhaka University at the instruction of prime minister Sheikh Hasina.

