

## BCL activists allegedly beat student at DU hall

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The Bangladesh Chhatra League activists of Sir Salimullah Muslim Hall of Dhaka University allegedly slapped and abused a student verbally on Sunday midnight for not turning up at room no 107 of the dormitory.

Victim Shipon Mia is a third year student of the Department of Information Science and Library Management and also a resident of the hall.

Accused Yasir Arafat Plabon is a fourth-year student of political science department and is also the follower of SM Hall unit Chhatra League leader Tanvir Shikdar.

'Seniors asked to attend the 'Guestroom' programme at about 10:00pm but I did not know that. As I couldn't turn up there, they sent two of my friends to bring me there,' Shipon said.

'When I told them about my exam tomorrow morning, they went away but after a while seniors again sent some other students to bring me to the guestroom. Then I went there with them,' he added.

The victim student said that when he reached the guestroom, Plabon slapped him and abused him verbally for not attending the guestroom and political programmes.

'Another senior took away my mobile phone from my hand as I couldn't respond to his call,' said Shipon.

He added that one of the seniors in the guestroom beat him several times with a stump, and he had to face name-calling with reference to his parents.

Shipon however, has lodged a complaint with the hall administration seeking justice.

Accused Chhatra League activist Plaban denied the allegations. He told reporters that there was no incident of beating.

'I behaved normally as a senior brother. He took it seriously. He was not even asked to leave the hall. This is a complete misunderstanding,' Plaban gave his version.

SM Hall unit Chhatra League president Tanveer Shikder could not be contacted over phone to know about this matter despite repeated attempt.

Hall provost (acting) professor Belal Hossain said, 'The victim student has given a written complaint to me. I have called a meeting tomorrow. An inquiry committee will be formed after discussion and action will be taken accordingly.'

DU proctor professor AKM Golam Rabbani said, 'The hall authorities have already been asked to take action.'



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