

10 injured in BCL attack on BSU

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Activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League attack on a human chain formed by the Bangladesh Students' Union on Sir Ashutosh Government College premises in Chattogram's Boalkhali upazila, on Saturday. -- UNB photo.

At least 10 leaders and activists of Bangladesh Students' Union of Boalkhali Sir Ashutosh Government College unit were injured in an attack carried out by the Bangladesh Chhatra League activists of the college on Saturday.

The Students' Union leaders came under the attack while they were organising a human chain in front of Sir Ashutosh Government College demanding to increase the facilities at the college and to mitigate the problems of teachers and employees.

Earlier, the Students' Union leaders submitted a memorandum to the education minister through the college principal professor Partha Pratim Dhar requesting to extend the college building and increase the facilities at the college and mitigate the problems of teachers and employees.

The Students' Union leaders alleged that the BCL activists led by the college unit joint convener Shimul Sardar, Md Kaiyum and Md Royal carried out the attack.

'At least 10 persons were injured and four others were injured critically who were undergoing treatment at the Chattogram Medical College Hospital,' Himel Chowdhury, convener of the college unit of the Students' Union told New Age.

Of the injured, Shehab uddin Saifu, Sajjad Hossain, Anupam Barua and Srahad Barua were undergoing treatment at the CMCH, he said.

'The BCL activists snatched belongings, including mobile phones, from us,' Himel Chowdhury alleged.

Shehab Uddin Saifu is the general secretary of Chattogram south district Juba Union and Anupam Barua is the general secretary of the Boalkhali upazila Communist Party of Bangladesh.

Himel Chowdhury said that Shehab Uddin Saifu and Anupam Barua went to the area to show solidarity with them.

The college unit BCl convener Arafat Hossain Tareq told New Age that they didn't carry out any attack on them but the general students protested at the presence of the outsiders on the college campus.

'BCL was not involved in the attack,' he claimed.

Professor Partha Pratim Dhar, principal of Sir Ashutosh Government College, told New Age that the Students' Union leader submitted a memorandum to him and asked permission for organising a human chain at the college.

'I asked them not to organise the human chain as they had already pressed their demands to me. Later, I heard noises in front of the college and informed the police,' he said.

No one, however, complained to him over the matter, he said.

Boalkhali police station officer-in-charge Abdur Razzak told New Age that they learnt of the incident but no one complained to them.