

DU students lock hall canteen for serving spoiled food

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Students of Dhaka University's Kabi Jasimuddin Hall have locked up the hall's canteen for serving low quality and rotten food.

The students locked the canteen after seeing the spoiled rice with insects on Friday afternoon. More rotten food was retrieved from the canteen kitchen and later brought to the hall garden.

During the drive, canteen manager Mubarak Hossain locked in an argument with the students. At one point, the students became enraged and beat him, but seniors stopped them from hurting the manager.

Students said that all the food in the canteen was rotten and rice powder was being fed in the name of rice. Besides, all kinds of fish, meat and curries were spoiled.

The students have threatened to remove the manager and later locked the canteen until it was cleaned and standardised.

At the canteen this UNB reporter found that there were insects in rice, feathers in cooked chicken and most of the food inside the fridge was spoiled.

In the face of the students' interrogation, canteen manager Mubarak claimed that the shopkeeper had given the bag of rotten rice by mistake.

About the packet of rotten meat inside the fridge, he said, 'It was left by a student.'

Jasim Uddin Hall provost Professor Muhammad Abdur Rashid, house tutor Md Zahirul Islam, Hall unit of Chhatra League president Waliul Sumon and general secretary Lutfur Rahman along with more students came to the canteen during the heightened period and calmed down the situation.

After inspecting the food in the canteen, the hall provost asked the canteen manager to eat the cooked chicken with feathers.

‘These foods are a threat to the health of the students. The culprit must be brought to justice. The canteen will remain closed till further notice,’ Professor Rashid said.



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