

BCL leaders torture student at RU hall

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A mass communication and journalism department student at Rajshahi University on Tuesday alleged that he was physically tortured by a group of Chhatra League leaders at Shaheed Suhrawardy Hall on Sunday night.

The victim is Krishna Ray, who is in second year, and a residential student of the hall.

He submitted a written complaint to the university proctor on Tuesday evening.

Krishna Ray alleged that a group of BCL leaders and activists led by the hall unit joint general secretary, Md Solaiman, went to his room 383 of Shaheed Suhrawardy Hall at 10:00pm on Sunday and asked him to leave the room immediately.

‘As I refused to leave the room, the BCL activists threw my bedding out on the ground and placed another student on my seat while Solaiman beat me up,’ Krishna said in the letter of complaint.

He added that he was forcibly taken to the BCL hall unit general secretary Naim Islam’s room where he was tortured and beaten up again.

He stated that Naim first threatened to brand him as an activist of Islami Chhatra Shibir, student wing of Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami.

‘But when he learnt that I am from Hindu community, he said none can do anything even if we kill you,’ Krishna said.

Mahbub Billah, a friend of Krishna, who witnessed the incident, told New Age that the BCL activists did not allow him to enter Naim’s room first.

‘When I entered the room forcibly, they hurled abusive language and took away my mobile phone,’ he said.

Mahbub added that the BCL activists threatened to kill Krishna in front of him.

BCL leader Solaiman, however, could not be reached for his comment despite repeated attempts over his mobile phone.

BCL leader Naim Islam also denied the allegation against him.

He said that there was nothing but an altercation with the student over his seat in the dormitory.

Naim claimed that the matter was solved at night.

The hall provost professor, Jahangir Hossain, said that he came to know that some BCL leaders and activists went to various rooms and misbehaved with the students on Sunday night.

‘We would take necessary action in this regard after investigating the incident,’ he added.

RU proctor professor Ashabul Hoque said that they received a written complaint and would take necessary steps in this regard.



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