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BCL factional clash injured 10 in Habiganj

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At least 10 leaders and activists of the Bangladesh Chhatra League, the ruling Awami League-backed student organisation, were injured on Thursday at Nabiganj upazila in Habiganj as two groups of the student body clashed.

The clash took place while the AL-nominated candidate for Habiganj-1 constituency Dr Md Mushfique Hossain Chowdhury was preparing to submit his nomination papers to the returning officer.

Local residents said that a views-exchange meeting was arranged at Natun Bazar of Nabiganj upazila headquarters at about 11:00am to submit nomination papers of the AL candidate to the office of the district returning officer.

During the meeting, supporters of the Nabiganj upazila BCL convener Nazim Uddin locked in an altercation with supporters of rival group leader Zahidul Islam Rubel over a trivial matter.

At one stage, the rival factions' leaders and activists locked in a clash that injured at least 10 activists of the two groups, local people said.

Contacted, BCL leaders-Nazim and Zahidul- blamed each other for inciting the clash.

Nabiganj police station officer-in-charge Md Mashuk Ali told New Age that the leaders of two factions of the BCL were locked in an altercation while they were receiving the Awami League candidate Dr Mushfique.

'The police, however, rushed to the spot and brought the situation under control,' he added.



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