

Torch procession at DU demanding justice for rape

Students and general public organised a torch procession at the Dhaka University, demanding justice for murder, rape, and violence against women across the country.

At around 7:00pm, participants gathered in front of the Raju Sculpture with torches in hand. At 7:06pm, they observed a one-minute silence, holding candles, to mourn the death of the 8-year-old rape victim in Magura.



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The torch procession began at 7:10pm from the base of the Raju Memorial Sculpture towards Nilkhet.

Organised by the Democratic Student Alliance, participants chanted slogans such as "Why did my sister die? We demand answers from the administration," "Stand up against murder, rape, and oppression, Bangladesh," and "Adviser Jahangir must resign immediately".

The procession passed through Nilkhet, circled the hall area, exited through the central mosque gate, and concluded in front of the DU Central Cafeteria after passing by Shamsunnahar Hall.

Later, Fahim Ahmed Chowdhury, general secretary of the Democratic Student Council, delivered a brief speech in front of the Raju Sculpture. He said, "The police have failed to ensure the safety of

the people of our country. The home adviser must resign immediately."

He added, "Each flame of this torch represents the fire in our hearts."

The demands include -- justice for police attacks on anti-rape and anti-VAW movements, as well as democratic movements nationwide; withdrawal of false cases; and removal of the home adviser for failing to ensure safety and security for women; revocation of the unjust expulsion orders of female students at Chittagong University.