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### No exams : BUET employees go on strike

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The on-going first semester examination of all faculties of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) could not be held yesterday as the employees of the university went on a sudden strike from Saturday night to protest alleged police torture on a fourth class employee of BUET.

Md Abdul Mannan, a guard of the BUET Staff Quarters was taken into Lalbag police custody for his alleged theft of a motor cycle. The bike was

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stolen from BUET staff quarters two days ago. Mr Mannan alleged that the police without any warrant arrested him and tortured him mercilessly. He was later admitted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

On receiving the news of Mr Mannan's arrest, the class three and four employees of BUET locked all the entry gates, classrooms and the Registrar buildings of the university. As a result, examinations could not be held yesterday.

Meanwhile the leaders of Engineering University Central Students Union, Teachers Association and Third and Fourth Class Employees Association at a meeting held at the BUET Shahid Minar yesterday strongly condemned the incident and demanded an exemplary punishment to those responsible for it. They also demanded proper treatment of Mr Mannan.

The Third and Fourth Class Employees Association also alleged that a wrist-watch and Tk five hundred which were with Mr Mannan while he was arrested was yet to be returned.

The strike will continue till today and next course of action will be announced shortly, the leaders of the association said.