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Angry students go on rampage

BUET student leader shot dead

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Ahmedullah, a final year student of Civil Engineering of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET), was shot dead by unknown assailants on the BUET campus on Saturday morning.

Campus sources said, Ahmedullah, who was General Secretary of BUET unit of Samajtantrik Chhatra Front (SCF), was shot at from a point blank range near BUET mosque by miscreants suspected to be outsiders and close friends of the victim.

The miscreants numbering three went to Ahsanullah Hall in the morning and had their breakfast with Ahmedullah a few minutes before the incident. Two bullets hit him—one in chest and another in abdomen. The miscreants blasted two hand bombs and fled from the area when students chased them.

Students took Ahmedullah to Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) where doctors declared him dead. The causes of the killing could not be known immediately but sources indicated that the incident was a sequel to internal conflict.

A resident of Ahsanullah Hall of BUET, the victim hailed from Munshiganj district.

Hearing the death news of Ahmedullah, several hundred students of BUET rushed to DMCH and brought the body to BUET campus. The angry students went on rampage and damaged the office room of Ahsanullah Hall Provost and set it on

fire. The students also damaged several cars on the campus.

Police rushed to the campus and lobbed at least ten rounds of teargas shells to bring the situation under control. Police picked two students on charge of damaging varsity property.



Ahmed Ullah

The body of Ahmedullah was handed over to his father after holding his Namaz-e-Janaza at the BUET playground in the afternoon.

A tense situation has been prevailing on the BUET campus. Police stopped movement of all transports inside the campus.

Different student organisations in-

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cluding Samajtantrik Chhatra Front (SCF) condemned the killing of Ahmedullah and demanded immediate arrest and trial of the killers.

SCF brought out a procession and held a rally in front of the National Press Club protesting the killing of its BUET unit leader Ahmedullah and demanded punishment of the miscreants.

Addressing the rally, SCF leaders termed the killing as pre-planned murder by professional killers and said that such incident had proved that the Government had totally failed to protect the lives of people.

The rally was addressed, among others, by Belal Chowdhury and General Secretary Nurul Islam.

They also announced a two-day programme which includes country-wide mourning day on June 5 and demonstration day on June 7 in protest against the killing of SCF's BUET unit leader.

Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD Inu) Presidium Member Kazi Aref Ahmed and General Secretary Hasanul Haq Inu in a joint statement on Saturday condemned the killing of a

student leader on BUET campus and expressed their profound shock at the murder of a promising student.

They described the incident as cold blooded murder and accused the Government of failing to give security to people. They also demanded punitive measures against the killers.

Samajtantrik Sramik Front, Bangladesh Chhatra League (K-C), Chhatra Oikya Forum and BUET unit of pro-Awami League Chhatra League (S-P) in separate statements condemned the killing of Ahmedullah and demanded punishment to those responsible for the incident.

The student organisations prayed for salvation of the departed soul of Ahmedullah and conveyed sympathy to members of his bereaved family.

Meanwhile, the BUET authorities at a meeting on Saturday evening condoled the death of Ahmedullah and expressed sympathy to members of his bereaved family.

The meeting reviewed the situation arising out of the killing of Ahmedullah and demanded punishment to those responsible for the incident. The meeting expressed concern over the rowdy demonstration by some students following the killing of Ahmedullah and urged all concerned to maintain law and order in the university.

Chaired by Vice-Chancellor Prof. Shahjahan, the meeting was attended among others, by deans, chairmen of different departments, provost and professors.