

Strike in DU to protest Aslam's killing

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Strike was observed in Dhaka University and other educational institutions on Monday called by the Central Students Action Committee (CSAC) demanding immediate release of all the political and student detainees. No classes were held in Dhaka University. However, the administrative offices remained open and the scheduled examinations were held.

The CSAC held a rally at the Arts Faculty area in the morning. It was addressed by Shirin Akhter. In her speech she said bypassing the national five-point demand no election could be meaningful and that would be resisted by the people. About the incidents on the campus last Sunday, Shirin Akhter said those student organisations advocating the holding of polls under the present circumstances were acting like government-backed Naton Bangla Chhatra Samaj. She urged all to resist this trend. Shirin Akhter demanded immediate release of all the political detainees. The

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rally was followed by a procession.

The Namaj-e-janaza of Muzharul Haq Aslam was held at the Baitul Mukarram Mosque arranged by the US party on Monday morning. It may be mentioned here that Aslam was killed by bullet in a clash between two rival groups of students on Sunday in Dhaka University. His body was handed over to his family after the janaza.

The Central Secretariat of the Bangladesh Chhatra Union in a statement said some organisations which were involved in the killing of Aslam on Sunday on the campus gave concocted version on the incident. The statement demanded punishment of the people who are responsible for the killing of Aslam.

The Acting Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University Prof. Abdul Mannan in a statement issued on Monday condoled the death of Aslam who belongs to an affiliated college of the University. The Vice-Chancellor expressed his deep sorrow to the victim's family.

The Vice-Chancellor said at a time when academic atmosphere here was prevailing on the campus such an unexpected incident was shocking and regrettable. He called upon all to maintain peace for the greater interest of the country.

Khan, Director of the student welfare centre, Prof. A.F.M. Kamaluddin attended the function as the chief guest. The teachers of the University attended the function wearing their 'Academic Robe'.

The Provosts of the University formally placed the students before the V.C. which he also accepted.

In his address Prof. Kamal said that students are the future of the nation and for this they should be given all sorts of academic facilities so that they can build up themselves properly.

He said that there is a rumour that there is no academic atmosphere in the campus, but only arms. Such rumour is very harmful. The academic atmosphere of the campus

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The function was rounded off with sweet distribution.