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3 halls raided

17 students held as BCL factions clash on DU campus

Police in a pre-dawn swoop on Sunday held 17 students from three residential halls of Dhaka University after a gunfight between two factions of Chhatra League, reports APB.

Campus sources said arrests followed overnight clashes between two belligerent groups in the student wing of the ruling Awami League that left two BCL activists seriously wounded.

Police raided the AF Rahman, Mohsin and Zahurul Haque halls at about 4 am and picked up the 17 from the dormitories.

They are Rizvi Alam, Mehdi ty cla Hasan, Manzoor Hossain, SM incide Mohsin Zaman, Shahidul Islam, group Babul Hossain, Ashraful Islam, Hall. Rafiquzzaman, Ashraful Kabir, Sohel, Touhidur Rahman, Kazi Mohammad Bayzid, Khondaker Jubair, Bashir Uddin, Abdus Salam, Atiqul Alam and Abul Kashem Mia.

Nasim of Shamim group was stabbed at AF Rahman Hall at about 00:30 am by some activists of rival Ratan group who came from Mohsin Hall. Sobhan, an associate of Nasim, sustained head injuries during the melee.

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Nasim was rushed to Pangu Hospital while Sobhan was admitted to Dhaka Medical College Hospital.

The attack on the AF Rahman Hall followed gunbattles between the rival groups in AF Rahman, Mohsin and Zahurul Haque halls.

The belligerents chased each other firing about 20 gunshots and hurling crackers during the two-hour long clash.

Campus sources said the intraparty clash could be sequel to Friday's incident of beating Raza of Ratan group by his rivals at AF Rahman Hall.