

Shahjalal varsity

4 Shibir activists arrested

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SYLHET, Dec 14: Four activists of Islami Chhatra Shibir were arrested in the early hours of today on charge of hurling bomb on the residence of the vice chancellor of Shahjalal University of Science & Technology yesterday afternoon.

The arrested are Abdul Latif Khan, Shah Mahmud Jahan Kamil, Iqbal Hossain and Faisal Ahmed. They were arrested from 86, Palra, a student mess in Dargah Mohalla area in the town, police said.

Police also seized 13 motor-bikes from the nearby areas of the varsity.

Additional police force has

been deployed on the varsity campus and some important spots of the town today.

However, the students strike enforced by The All-Party Students' Action Committee (Opposition) at the varsity continued for the seventh day today.

A good number of female students left the campus during the last two days apprehending fresh violence.

The All-Party Action Committee (Opposition) held a rally today protesting the arrest of Maulana Habibur Rahman, president of the Sylhet district (South) unit of Jamaat.

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rally was addressed by district BNP president MA Haque, General Secretary Ariful Haque Chowdhury and district JP president Advocate Giasuddin Ahmed.

The speakers blamed VC for ignoring their demand for withdrawal of the names of halls and buildings of the university. They also threatened to paralyse the normal life by calling hartal.

The committee held another meeting at Court Point demanding release of the Shibir activists.

The outsiders also ransacked some rooms of the academic building which were unlocked by the police on Sunday night.

Meanwhile, a group of about 100 outsiders yesterday attacked Palace de Shahid, a building rented by some teacher of the university. They entered a room on the first floor of the building searched for Kazi Afzal, a teacher of the varsity.

They again locked the main gate of the university in presence of police and hurled bombs on the residence of Habibur Rahman.

The Shahjalal University Teachers Association held an emergency meeting immediately after the incident and condemned the attack on the teachers' residence.

The meeting also demanded arrest of the attackers within 24 hours. Police officials visited the spot and talked to the teachers in the afternoon.