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CU staff bus ambushed

## Gunmen shoot CMC student dead

From Staff Correspondent

Chittagong Medical College student was shot dead when unidentified gunmen ambushed a Chittagong University Staff bus at Battali Bazar this morning, police said.

The university bus bound for the city under police escort, was attacked by the gunmen who fired on it indiscriminately at around 9 am.

Mushfiq-ur Salehin, 21, a student of Chittagong Medical College and son of a university teacher, sustained fatal bullet

injuries.

Salehin was rushed to the Chittagong Medical College Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries.

Police suspected that Shibir activists may have carried out the attack. But Shibir denied

UNB adds: Salehin, a firstyear student of CMC, was hit by three bullets, two in the head and one in the left arm, when the gunmen sprayed bullets from automatic guns on the university teachers' bus in which he was traveling.

Bus helper Syed Majibur Rahman also sustained bullet injuries in the attack.

Police arrested three youths, one Chhatra Shibir activist, from the spot of the gunfire at Oxygen Road crossing in Panchlaish thana.

Passengers, who were traveling in the bus, said the assailants might have opened fire from a nearby building.

Salehin, the eldest son of Dr Kazi Ahmed Nabi, Chairman of the Finance Department of Chittagong University, was sitting beside the driver.

He was immediately rushed to Chittagong Medical; College Hospital where doctors operated upon him for about an hour and extracted bullets of rifle from his head and left arm. But he died at 10:30 am.

Three policemen who were posted in the bus for security have been closed by the authorities after the incident.

Salehin stood 7th in the combined merit list in last See Page 12 Col 6

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## CMC student

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year's HSC examination. He was coming by the bus from the campus to attend his classes.

As news of Salehin's death spread, all the classes of Chittagong Medical College were suspended today to mourn his death and protest the killing. A tense situation was prevailing in the college campus.

Students of Chittagong University also boycotted classes

after the incident.

Meanwhile, the authorities of Chittagong University have suspended all classes of the university for three days from tomorrow to ward off any untoward incident following the killing of Salehin.

The decision was taken at a meeting of the Emergency Committee representing all the Deans of University with Acting Registrar Mahbubul Huq

presided.

It was also decided in the meeting that police will conduct search operation in the student dormitories every evening so that the outsiders could not stay there.

The Chittagong University Teachers' Association (CUTA) today expressed profound shock at the killing of Salehin.

In a statement, Prof Mohammad Shah Alam and Prof Siddique Ahmed Chowdhury, acting President and General Secretary respectively of the CUTA conveyed sympathy to the members of the bereaved family.

They also expressed grave concern over deteriorating situation of the university and said the lives of all in the university were insecured.