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building. He was admitted to the DMCH Hospital sources said the victims were out of danger.

The third of seven children of late Abdus Salam of Sreemankandi, Tungipara of Gopalganj, Chunnu was a Final Year student of History Department. The body of Chunnu was accompanied by the central leaders of the party and his younger brother Mafizul Islam Munnu, a Final Year student of History Department.

Both the student organisations tried to hold rallies at the Battala at the same time to protest attack on each others' supporters last Wednesday during observance of Ekushey February.

Death condoled

The Dhaka University Syndicate in an emergency meeting deeply condoled the premature death of Shahidul Islam Chunnu, the Vice-President of Zahurul Haque Hall Students' Union. The Syndicate condemned the attack on the Vice-Chancellor near Zahurul Haque Hall.

The syndicate urged the government and political parties to cooperate with the varsity authorities for restoration of normal academic atmosphere on the campus.

The Syndicate constituted a probe body headed by Dr. Mahtabuddin Ahmed, Provost of Shabidullah Hall to investigate into the killing of Chunnu. Other members of the inquiry committee are Dr. Humayun Ahmed, Associate Professor of the Chemistry Department and Dr. Aminur Rahman, Proctor of the university.

Vice-Chancellor Prof. Abdul Mannan in a Press statement on Sunday condoled the death of Shahidul Islam Chunnu. The Vice-Chancellor said "I am profoundly grieved at the death of this prominent and promising student leader. He said, "being the head of the institution and a guardian I condole the death of a brilliant student leader". He sought cooperation from all quarters to resist such violent incident further.

BCL blames JCD for killing Chunnu

Mr. Habibur Rahman Habib and Ashim Kumar Ukil the President and General Secretary of Chhatra League (H-A) in a joint statement to the Press on Sunday held the JCD responsible for the killing. They said when the members and leaders of Chhatra League were going peacefully to attend a preannounced rally at the Battala the armed hoodlums of the JCD attacked them from different points. They alleged Chunnu was killed by gun shots of JCD activists. The Chhatra League leaders demanded trial of the killers of Shahidul Islam Chunnu and cautioned that otherwise the government would be held responsible for the consequences.

General Secretary of the Dhaka University, Unit of Chhatra League in a joint statement to the Press condoled the death of Shahidul Islam Chunnu. They held the activists of the JCD responsible for the killing. They said the members of Chhatra League would start countrywide movement in protest against the killing.

Different political parties strongly condemned the killing of student leader Chunnu in a gun battle on the campus on Sunday.

The Five-party Alliance in statement condemned the killing of Shahidul Islam Chunnu and expressed concern over the closure of the university sine die. The alliance held the leaders of BNP and Awami League responsible for the escalation of violence on the campus. The Five-party Alliance said that the incident could be avoided if the police and Vice-Chancellor acted timely. They called for concerted steps to avoid the recurrence this type of gustily incident earlier.

National Awami Party demanded due punishment to the killers of Chunnu. NAP also demanded expulsion of armed hoodlums from all the parties.

The Dhaka University Teachers Association (DUTA) expressed deep condolence at the death of Chunnu. The DUTA in a meeting with Dr. Eazuddin Ahmed in the chair held that the police did not discharge their responsibility properly. The Association demanded judicial inquiry into the incident.

The nine student organisations, Bangladesh Chhatra Union also in separate statements condoled the death and demanded punishment to the killers.

UNB adds:—Rampaging students, allegedly the supporters of BCL, set on fire at least six vehicles near Dhaka College and in Elephant Road area following the clashes, police and witnesses said.

Several other vehicles were damaged by unruly students in sporadic violence elsewhere in the city.