

VCs condemn attack on Azad

Vice-Chancellors of universities on Thursday condemned Tuesday's attack on Dhaka University VC Prof AK Azad Chowdhury by unruly students during evacuation of dormitories for rehabilitating bonafide residents, reports UNB.

In a statement, members of the Bangladesh University Parishad Standing Committee of Vice-Chancellor also expressed deep concern, saying the countrymen were shocked at the attack.

They said the incident proved that a handful of terrorists in a planned way wanted to disrupt peace and stability of the university.

The VCs demanded exemplary punishment of the persons responsible for the attack and also stressed that law-enforcing agencies should keep surveillance to prevent recurrence of such incident.

BSS report adds: twenty-five members of Dhaka University Senate representing registered graduates, in a joint

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statement on Thursday also strongly protested and condemned Tuesday's campus incidents.

They said that there was no language to condemn the heinous incident. The JCD workers had mandandled the Vice-Chancellor and teachers, which was unprecedented in the history of Dhaka University. The Naked action of JCD on the campus at a moment when the authority was sincerely trying to establish academic atmosphere on the campus is a well-planned and calculated move to create chaos and confusion at the directives and instigation of their political masters.

They also bitterly criticised and condemned the remarks of some BNP leaders who in a press meet had attempted to justify such barbaric act as "demonstration of anger" of their golden boys. They called upon all educated and democracy loving people to unitedly thwart such a mischievous move to disrupt academic atmosphere only to achieve political and selfish ends of some vested interests.

The signatories to the statement included AAMS Arefin Siddiqui, Prof Abdul Mannan, Syed Ahmed, Prof Mahfuja Begum, Ramenda Majumder, AN Rashida, Dr Enamul Haq, Shamsuzzaman Khan, ATM Nurur Rahman Khan, Nilufar Begum, Habiba Khatoon, Azizul Islam Bhuiyan, Habibur Rahman Khan, Wahiduzzaman Chan, Manjurul Islam Enamul Haq, Kazi Akram Uddin Ahmed, Shahajalal Majumder, Dr Modasher Ali, Advocate Abdus Salam Talukder, Advocate Rezaur Rahman, Ismat Kadeir Gama, Dr Harunar Rashid, Advocate Ojair Faruque.