

20 injured in BCL factional clash at JU

SAVAR, Apr 3:—At least 20 activists of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) were injured in a factional clash between two rival groups at a dormitory of Jahangirnagar University (JU) early Friday over establishing supremacy, reports UNB.

Police and witnesses said the supporters of Regan-Polash group were ousted from Mir Mosharraf Hossain Hall through a bloody clash with the supporters of Pritom-Sabbir group on March 10.

In a bid to recapture their lost position, supporters of Regan-Polash group along with some outsiders, led by Zihun, Sajib and Shaheen, attacked the rival group with lethal weapons, including iron rods, sticks and machetes at about 4:30am, triggering the clash. A chase and counter chase also took place that left 20 wounded. A number of rooms of the dormitory were also vandalized.

At one stage, Pritom-Sabbir the attackers were forced to flee the scene facing the resistance by their rival faction and general students.

Seven of the injured were rushed to Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) while one to Enam Medical

College Hospital in Savar in a critical condition.

Meanwhile, police raided Mir Mosharraf Hossain Hall at 6:45am and arrested five students. Of them, four were identified as Sajib, Tofa, Saer and Shawan. Eight others fled the dormitory sensing the presence of police.

The law-enforcers also recovered three sharp weapons from the dormitory. Additional police forces have been deployed on the campus to avert further trouble.