

## **Sexual abuse HC declares JU syndicate decision illegal**

The High Court on Sunday declared unlawful Jahangirnagar University syndicate's decision exonerating Associate Professor Sanowar Hossain Sunny of Drama and Dramatics department from charges of sexually harassing girl students, reports UNB.

In its judgment the High Court also declared "illegal" the JU syndicate action suspending six students of the department following a complaint lodged by Sunny who had been assaulted by his students.

Besides, the High Court asked the JU authorities to constitute a probe body in line with the May 14 High Court verdict that has set a guideline to protect the rights of girls and women at educational institutions and workplaces to address this issue of sexual abuse and harassment.

In the verdict the HC observed that "criminal jurisprudence shall not be applicable in case of internal or domestic probe body to