

Panic grips DU campus over JCD's entry

10 crackers exploded

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TEN crude bombs exploded as Bangladesh Chhatra League took positions in groups at different key points at the Dhaka University on Monday after Jatibatabadi Chhatra Dal had declared that they would enter the campus.

The activists of Chhatra League, the ruling Awami League-backed student organisation, along with the police took positions at all key points on the campus creating panic.

Anwarul Haque Royal, vice-president of Shahidullah Hall unit of Chhatra Dal, the opposition Bangladesh Nationalist Party-backed stu-

dent organisation, was beaten by Chhatra League activists near the Bangla Academy in the morning. Chhatra League activist Kamal of Suryea Sen Hall was injured in a blast.

Royal was sent to Dhaka Medical College Hospital for treatment.

The Chhatra League activists also caught Jahurul Haque Hall unit Chhatra Dal office secretary Fazlur Rahman Khokon in front of Madhur Canteen at around 8:00am and handed him over to the Shahbagh police.

The Shahbagh police officer-in-charge, Serajul Islam, said that Chhatra League men handed Khokon over to them and they kept him under their

custody to maintain order on the campus.

Shahbagh police inspector MA Jalil said, 'Chhatra Dal activists exploded the crackers.'

Chhatra Dal leaders on Sunday night declared that they would enter the campus at any cost on Monday.

Witnesses said that four crackers exploded in Curzon Hall area in the morning, four near the Central Library and two in front of the arts building at around 12:30pm.

Dhaka University unit Chhatra Dal president Mahidul Hasan Hiru told New Age that they were determined to enter the campus at any time.

'We must face the Chhatra

League activists who prevent us from entering the campus by launching attack on us,' he said.

Dhaka university unit Chhatra League president Mehdi Hasan Molla told New Age that nobody stopped the Chhatra Dal men from entering the campus.

'But,' he added, 'we must prevent those who are not students of the university but trying to create untoward situation on the campus.'

The university proctor, Amzad Ali, said non-students would not be allowed on the campus for political activities as the Chhatra Dal men, who are students, are still staying on the campus.