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BRAC university students protest assault of teacher

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BRAC University students on Monday went on demonstration demanding punishment of officials, who had reportedly 'assaulted' one of their teachers on the previous day.

University vice-chancellor professor Syed Saad Andaleeb on Sunday in a statement said that he had taken the decision to form an inquiry committee to investigate the evolving situation.

'It should be mentioned here that the vice-chancellor invited a group of students to meet him and share their views. Unfortunately, the offer was turned down by the students. The vice-chancellor wants to conclude this episode expeditiously and fairly,' the statement added.

Students alleged that law teacher Farhaan Uddin Ahmed was assaulted by the university's registrar Muhammad Sahool Afzal and others officials, including assistant registrar Md Mahi Uddin and university's co-curricular activities senior officer Mr Jabed Rasel on Sunday afternoon.

Farhaan on early Monday in a Facebook post said Human Resources representatives of the university tried to handover a cheque and certain documents where one stated that he would be terminated from BRAC University immediately.

'The registrar came into my room and tried to forcibly take away my ID card. The registrar made Mr Mahi Uddin and Mr Javed Rasel hold each of my arms and then again tried to take away my ID card. While I was being assaulted, the registrar pulled up my ID card with such a great force that it tore away the pocket of my Panjabi and I was held down so violently that I have bruises all over my arms and even my chest,' Farhaan said.

On Monday as soon as the news broke, many students began protests on the campus and said that they would continue their movement until the perpetrators were punished.

BRAC authorities barred journalists from entering the campus.