

RU teachers, students protest at Juba League attack

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TEACHERS and students of Rajshahi University Management Studies department formed a human chain on the university campus and observed class boycott programme on Tuesday, protesting against the attack on students by local Juba League men, youth front of the ruling Awami League on Monday night.

They also demanded exemplary punishment of the perpetrators who beat up the students.

On Monday night, a group of local Juba League men beat up Enamul Hauque Polash and Sujon Miya, second year students of RU Management Studies department, in front of Juba League office at Binodpur, near to the campus, without any cause while the duo students were heading toward to their

mess in Binodpur area. The JL men also snatched their mobile phones.

Protesting at the incident, about 300 students of the department blocked the entrance of Rabindra Arts building for one and half hour from 10:00am on Tuesday. Later around 12:00pm, the students of the department formed the human chain in front of the central library of the university where teachers and students of other departments participated.

Addressing the human chain, speakers alleged that though the students were being harassed and attacked by the local men continuously, the university authorities were yet to take any effective action to resist the nuisance.

Foyez Ahmed, a master's student of the department, said the outsiders entering the faculty took drugs on

the faculty building's roof, teased female students, dumped waste in the classrooms and even threatened students if these activities were protested. But, no effective action was taken to resist them.

They demanded punishment of the JL men and also implementation of tough measures to make the campus free from unwanted visitors.

The speakers also threatened that they would go for tougher movement if their demands are not met.

Among others Mousumi Kabir, Azad Khan, Iqbal, Asif and Omar Faruq spoke at the programme. Besides, Law department associate professor Sahal Uddin, Management department assistant professor KM Sabbir and Jahurul Anis, among others, expressed solidarity with the students' movement.