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BSMMU bans gathering amid tension

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Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University authorities banned procession, rally or any gathering on the campus amid tension between the supporters of the outgoing vice-chancellor and the rival group of staff.

BSMMU proctor Habibur Rahman Dulal signed a notice on Saturday enforcing the ban until issuing further notice.

The authorities published the notice a day after several aides of outgoing vice-chancellor Sharfuddin Ahmed were assaulted on the campus.

On Saturday, doctors, officers and employees — followers of the pro-Awami League Swadhinata Chikitsak Parishad — staged demonstration in front of the VC's office protesting at the controversial recruitments at the end of his tenure.

At one stage of protest, VC supporters and the others group locked in an altercation leading to assault of several, including VC's personal assistant Md Rasel.

BSMMU registrar Hafizur Rahman in a rejoinder claimed that there was no valid teachers' association or Swachip committee on the campus.

Ariful Islam Joarder, member secretary of Swachip's BSMMU unit, however, said that their committee still active and valid.

'BSMMU not the authority to validate Swachip, we have proper leadership and constitution,' he said.

He said that the university staff oppose any syndicate meeting at the eleventh hour of the tenure of outgoing VC.

BSMMU officials said that they suspected that outgoing VC Sharfuddin made numerous appointments for bribe over the past three years, which were reported in the media.

They said that the VC is now planning to hold a syndicate meeting to complete the process they were protesting against.

Sharfuddin's term as vice-chancellor will end on March 28. He will be replaced by Professor Deen Md Nurul Haque, the former director general of the health services.



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