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Another JnU teacher suspended

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A mathematics department teacher of Jagannath University was suspended over the allegation of sexual harassment on Wednesday.

On the same day, two teachers, including the mathematics teacher, were served notices asking that why they would not be permanently expelled from the university on the same allegation.

The decisions were taken at the 95th syndicate meeting held at the university.

Professor Md Jahangir Hussain, proctor of the university, told New Age that an assistant professor of the mathematics department, ABS Manik Munsu, was relieved on the allegation of establishing immoral relationship with a female student in September in the past year.

'At the syndicate meeting, a decision was taken to suspend him. A notice was also served to him,' he mentioned.

Meanwhile, a film and television department lecturer of the university, Abu Shahed Emon, was suspended and the chairman of the department, Professor Junayed Halim, was relieved on March 21 over allegations of sexual harassment and misconduct.

Jahangir Hussain said that on the Wednesday syndicate meeting, Abu Shahed Emon was also served notice, asking why he would not be permanently expelled from the university.

The decisions came after a recent student protest for justice over the death of the JnU's student Fairuz Abontika by suicide and against all kind of oppression, including sexual harassment.

Abontika, a 13th batch law student, committed suicide at her village home in Cumilla on March 15 night after posting a status on her Facebook account, holding classmate Raihan Siddique Amman and the university's assistant proctor Din Islam responsible for her death.

In the post, she brought allegations of sexual harassment against her classmate Amman and accused Din Islam of verbally abusing her in favour of Amman.

Currently, they both are in jail in a case filed in this connection.

Jahangir Hussain also said that the probe committee formed by the university in the incident is yet to submit the report.



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