

JU budget today

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The annual budget of Jahangirnagar University (JU) for fiscal 2003-04 will be placed before the senate today, official sources said.

A Tk 27.98 crore revenue budget has been proposed with a deficit of Tk 2.86 crore.

Of the total expenditure, University Grants Commission (UGC) will provide Tk 24.56 crore while the university expects to earn Tk 1.9 crore from its own sources.

About 73 per cent of the total budget will be spent for the salary of teachers, officers and employees.

Only 4.63 per cent has been allocated for scholarship, research and library work.

On the contrary, Tk 5.25 lakh has been earmarked for fuel and Tk 83,800 for entertainment of

vice-chancellor, pro-vice-chancellor and treasurer.

Under the Annual Development Programme (ADP), Tk 23.25 crore has been allocated.

The money will be spent to complete the construction work of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Hall, and construction of a new 600-bed female hall and two 4-storied buildings for house tutors.

Besides, five 4-storied residential quarters for teachers and officers, and two 4-storied residential quarters for third class employees will also be constructed.

Treasurer ABM Enayet Hossain will place the budget with Vice-Chancellor Prof Jasim Uddin Ahmed in the chair.

The treasurer will also place the revised budget of fiscal 2002-03.



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Shops remain closed as the Awami League enforces a countrywide hartal yesterday. New Market footbridge in the city looks deserted during hartal hours.

11 BCL workers held

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Police arrested at least 11 workers of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL) when they were demonstrating in the city yesterday in favour of countrywide hartal enforced by the Awami League (AL).

Police also charged baton on BCL processions at Bangabandhu Avenue and Russel Square leaving at least 20 workers and AL first Joint Secretary Obaidul Kader wounded.

BCL also brought out a procession on the Dhaka University campus and held a rally in front of the Central Public Library near Shahbagh.

Addressing the rally, BCL leaders protested the police attack on their workers.

Presided over by the BCL DU unit president, the rally was addressed by Ashraful Azim Rubon, Marufa Akhter Popy, Baloram Podder.

The academic activities of the university remained suspended while administrative activities held partially. All scheduled examinations were postponed earlier.

In a joint statement, BCL President Liakat Shikder and General Secretary Nazrul Islam Babu condemned the police attack on BCL workers across the country and demanded immediate release of all BCL workers arrested during the hartal.

They said when the people were observing the hartal peacefully, the present BNP-Jamaat government directed the police to attack on BCL workers.