

WITHDRAWAL OF VANDALISM CASE JU students block admin building for second day

JU CORRESPONDENT

Agitating students of Jahangirnagar University continued blockading the administrative building for the second consecutive day yesterday demanding withdrawal of a vandalism case filed against 56 students.

Earlier on Monday, the university authorities sat with a group of the demonstrators in a meeting where a teachers' association proposed to hold another meeting tomorrow, but the students rejected the proposal.

Yesterday, however, they agreed to sit with them but expressed their desire to continue protests.

When contacted, Nazmul Hossain, a student participating in the movement, said, "The authorities assured us of withdrawing the case, but they didn't keep their promise."

We want to sit with the authorities, but will continue the movement until the case is withdrawn."

Earlier on July 17, eight students ended their hunger strike after the authorities gave them such an assurance.

The JU authorities also want to sit with the students further but the protesters have to withdraw their programmes, said Farid Ahmed, general secretary of JU Teachers' Association, which is working as a mediator to break the deadlock.

"We are trying our best to resolve the crisis. We are hopeful that we can reach a solution soon," said Farid.

In this regard, Prof Sharif Uddin of mathematics department said the university authorities could have taken a different stance instead of filing a case.

"And the students could have apologised," he added.

On May 27, the JU authorities filed the case after agitating students allegedly vandalised the vice chancellor's residence following a police attack on them.

The day before, they were protesting a road accident that killed two JU students in C&B bus stand area, Savar.

At least 10 people were injured when police fired rubber bullets and teargas canisters at the protesters.

'Seating service' buses to run

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remain suspended for two more months and tenure of the committee has been extended for next two months," Mahub-E-Rabbani, also head of the committee, told The Daily Star.

Meanwhile, most of the members of the committee opined in favour of "seating service" alongside regular services "considering benefit of passengers", three members told The Daily Star.

Journalist Syed Ishtiaq Reza, a member of the committee, said the reality of Dhaka city demands both "seating" and "non-seating" services.

"We have given opinion in favour of mixed services. But more discussion is needed on how many 'seating service' buses should be allowed to ply and what should be the routes and fares, among other issues. Besides, relevant law has to be changed for introducing the service," he said.

According to the draft proposal, all buses of an operator should not be allowed to run under "seating service" and the number of such buses can be determined by the authorities concerned.

Colour of the buses will be different and the government can set separate fare for these buses, the proposal reads. Moreover, the total route of every "seating service" bus will be divided into several slabs and fare will be determined on the basis of each slab.

The meeting also discussed on several other proposals including rearranging the bus routes in Dhaka city and bringing all bus services under some companies.

The other proposals include not giving route permit to private companies anymore. Instead, more BRTC and AC buses should be introduced in the city.

"All the members will work on the proposals now; after finalising, we will submit those to the [road transport and bridges] ministry. We are hopeful about completing our tasks within September," said Syed Ishtiaq.

As per their earlier announcement, transport owners on April 15 stopped operating "seating service" amid widespread allegations that the bus authorities were charging extra fare.

Following that, BRTA, in association with Dhaka Road Transport Owners' Association's vigilance teams, conducted mobile courts to stop such practice.

But the move backfired as a good number of buses were withdrawn from the streets for five consecutive days, causing immense sufferings to commuters.

Against the backdrop, BRTA suspended their drive for 15 days and later for three months. It also formed the eight-member committee.

But, during suspension of BRTA drive, bus operators continued charging extra fares defying government-fixed rate, alleged commuters.

229 children raped in seven months: MJF

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Of them, 141 girls were raped, six boys were molested, and 28 girls became victims of attempted rape.

Moreover, 132 children were killed, 37 committed suicide, bodies of 18 children were recovered after they had gone missing and bodies of 44 children were found later. Fifteen children died due to mysterious reasons.

Also, according to a Bangladesh Mahila Parishad statistics yesterday, 2,400 incidents of violence against women and girl children took place in the country between January and June this year. Of those, 429 were rape incidents, 104 gang rape incidents and 30 incidents of killing after rape.

16 RU students get bail

RU CORRESPONDENT

A Rajshahi court granted bail to 16 students of Rajshahi University in a case filed under arms and explosives act by police in February 2014. Aktarul Alam, judge of the court, granted their bail till Monday after the 16 students among 34 charge-sheeted accused in the case surrendered before the court seeking bail, said Public Prosecutor Abdus Salam.

Earlier, on February 2, over a hundred students and eight journalists were injured after police and RU unit of Bangladesh Chhatra League activists allegedly attacked them while they were staging a sit-in in front of the administrative building protesting fee hike and introduction of evening master's programmes.

The next day, the university authorities, police and RU BCL filed six cases accusing over 750 general students.

On May 7 this year, police submitted charge sheets in two cases against 34 students and the court on May 29 issued arrest warrant against 25 of them.

Schoolboy Parag's abductor

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32, his sister Pinaki Mondal, 11, and their car driver Nazrul Islam, 35, during the kidnapping, SP Migan said.

The kidnappers set Parag free after reportedly taking a ransom of Tk 50 lakh on November 13. On Monday night, police arrested Amir from Shoronkhola area of Bagerhat district after receiving a tip off.

A team of South Keraniganj police brought along Amir to a raid in Mirerbagh Textile Mills area as he had said during interrogation that he kept firearms and bullets in the area, said the SP.

"Soon after our team reached Mirerbagh area around 1:45am, three to four associates of Amir sprayed bullets on the police team to snatch Amir. Police also fired in self defence," he added.

Amir's gang members managed to flee the scene during the "shootout" when twenty shots were fired. Amir sustained injuries as he also made attempt to escape. Police found him after the gunfight was over and took him to Sir Salimullah Medical College Hospital (SSMCH) where doctors declared him dead, the SP claimed.

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