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## ABVP National General Secretary and Students Arrested for Demanding Justice in the Jadavpur University Ragging Case.

## 'Mamata Banerjee govt Fails in Preventing Crimes Against Students in West Bengal Universities: ABVP'

At Jadavpur University, a minor student's case of ragging and death has led to protests by the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad. ABVP National General Secretary Yagyawalkya Shukla and National Secretary Biraj Biswas, along with more than 100 activists, were brutally lathi-charged by the police today, which is highly unfortunate and condemnable.

Today, during the 'Jadavpur University Bachao' protest organized by the South Bengal unit of Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad, West Bengal police resorted to extremely brutal behavior against protesting activists demanding justice. Male police officers attempted to stop participating female students and subjected them to forceful treatment, even pushing them into police vehicles.

It is noteworthy that after the incident of ragging and sexual harassment with a minor student studying in Bachelor's of Arts at Jadavpur University, he fell from the hostel balcony and succumbed to injuries leading to his demise in the hospital. This incident has once again highlighted the atmosphere of fear prevailing among students in West Bengal.

ABVP National Secretary, Ankita Pawar, said, "The heinous incident of ragging at Jadavpur University in West Bengal is extremely condemnable. Our campus should be a safe space for students, not a haven for criminals. Today, when activists of ABVP were demanding justice for the minor student who faced ragging and sexual harassment that led to his death, the police treated them with extreme brutality. Male police officers mistreated the female students. West Bengal is becoming unsafe for women, and the state government is busy arresting those who criticize its failures and suppressing the police's misconduct."

(This Press Release has been issued by Central Office Secretary Digambar Pawar)