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We, the authorities of the University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh (ULAB), were shocked to hear that an incident of harassment and physical abuse has taken place near the ULAB Campus and allegedly with the involvement of ULAB students. We fully sympathize with the victims of the assault and their suffering. It is unfortunate that in today's society, young women are often made to feel unsafe in public. This is completely against everything that ULAB stands for as an educational institution.

ULAB has a strong Code of Conduct, where we have ZERO TOLERANCE for any kind of sexual harassment or physical assault. There have been multiple awareness-raising campaigns on campus regarding this issue. We also support activists who wish to raise their voices against this social evil.

ULAB has already begun an investigation into this matter. We have reached out to the blogger via the administrators of Somewherein...blog. We again invite him to contact us directly, as only he can give us the details necessary to investigate thoroughly. We give the blogger and victims of this incident assurance of our sincere support.

It is unfortunate to see so many social media users have turned their anger against ULAB as an institution without waiting for any investigation or confirmation.

We emphasize that if any ULAB students are found to have been involved, we will take the strictest punishment against them.

We request anyone, including all ULAB students and staff, to come forward with any information or evidence pertaining to this incident. We also stand by all persons who oppose eve-teasing.

Sincerely,

Registrar