

## Asif Quits BNP

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Asif's friend M A Mukit said: "He got injuries on his back and neck and may go abroad for treatment."

Asif could be reached over phone for comment.

BNP joint secretary general Rizvi Ahmed, however, denied the resignation paper submission.

Meanwhile, Asif's supporters in Comilla staged demonstration on Friday demanding immediate arrest of the people responsible for the assault.

Witnesses said police intercepted the procession and snatched the banner they were carrying in Rajganj area.

Kandirpar police camp sub-inspector Debashish Chowdhury said the procession was obstructed as it could create traffic jam in the area.

Asif was attacked allegedly by supporters of Nizamuddin Kaiser, district general secretary of Chhatra Dal, BNP's student wing, and brother-in-law of Comilla BNP general secretary Aminur Rashid Yasin.

Asif filed a case under the Speedy Trial Act in connection with the attack.

Top BNP leaders allegedly pressured him to withdraw the case, prompted him to quit the party.

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