

Jadavpur University probe: Witness to record statement before magistrate

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KOLKATA: The police on Friday moved a local court to pray for the recording of statement of a key witness before the magistrate in connection with the death of a Jadavpur University fresher on August 10.

According to sources, the recording is likely to take place on Monday. The identity of the witness was not revealed for legal and operational reasons. The police have already informed the court that they have examined 25 hostellers and another 10 employees of the hostel and JU students, who don't stay in hostel.

The development, said legal experts, is the first step to procure evidence admissible in court. "Since the case is dependent on

circumstantial evidence, police will need more and more statements that will bolster the case. This might just be the beginning of more such statements getting recorded in courts," said an officer.

The police said they also plan to submit the video-recording of the reconstruction of crime scene. Cops said they now have an idea of what transpired on August 9 night. "It was the idea of Sourav Chowdhury, who was the first to be arrested, to force the minor to write a letter. After 9 pm, he was summoned to Room 104 on fourth floor. It was here that the minor was asked to write the letter," said an officer.