



## DU to be a centre of excellence, says Pro-VC

The newly appointed Pro-Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University Professor Zeenatun Nessa Tahmida Begum has said she would take every step to make the country's highest seat of learning as a centre of excellence rooting out terrorism from the campus.

In an exclusive interview with the national news agency BSS, Professor Tahmida, the first woman to become Pro-Vice-Chancellor of a public university, said everything will come under discipline if a congenial teaching environment is restored.

"Teachers will have to play pivotal role in this regard. I firmly believe that if the teachers can motivate the students through guidance and counseling, terrorism is bound to be rooted out from the campus," she said.

She said that teachers should be punctual and sincere in teaching as their lifestyles and ideals influence students a lot.

Professor Tahmida, who joined the university in 1972 in the Botany Department and held various administrative and academic positions in her long career, observed that most of the students of Dhaka University are meritorious, but their brightness is being shadowed by the misdeeds of a few "so called students."