

EDN. MINISTRY CIRCULAR

Non-govt teachers feel cheated

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Teachers of non-government high schools, colleges and madrasas yesterday said they feel cheated as a circular of the former education ministry issued on Thursday has directed the authorities concerned to deposit tuition fees to government fund.

They said in the face of their agitation, the immediate past education minister Dr M Osman Faruk assured them that the tuition fees collected from the students will not have to be deposited to the government fund.

"But the circular has proved that the former minister had cheated us," said Prof Quazi Farruk Ahmed,

Employees (NFTE).

He said they are urging the caretaker government to review the issue.

Quazi Farruk said they will also hold a meeting in the capital on November 9. It will be attended by the representatives from six divisions.

Under the circular, teachers and employees of non-government schools, colleges, madrasas and technical institutions will get 100 percent salary from the national exchequer, but they will have to deposit tuition fees to the government fund.

Of the 10 percent salary hike, five percent will be given from July 2006 from the budget of 2006-07 fiscal year and the rest five percent will be given as 'outstanding bill' from the budget of 2007-08 fiscal