

Reforms in education sector demanded

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Teachers of non-government high schools, colleges and madrasas yesterday placed a five-point education reform proposal and a two-point electoral reform proposal to the President and Chief Adviser to the caretaker government Iajuddin Ahmed.

They demanded a thorough purge of the education sector and steps to hold the upcoming election in a free and fair manner.

The teachers under the banner of National Front of Teachers and Employees (NFTE) submitted a memorandum to the President, urging effective measures for the implementation of the reform proposals.

They called for cancellation of the government circular regarding the deposition of tuition fees of

students to the government fund.

They also demanded removal of all partisan people from the education sector, cancellation of all contractual appointments and an investigation into corruption of immediate past minister and state minister for education.

In the electoral reform proposals, the teachers called for reconstitution of the EC and appointment of neutral persons to key posts in the administration and the police department.

The NFTE also held a representatives' meeting at Mani Singh auditorium and a rally at Muktangan before submitting the memorandum.

NFTE chief coordinator Prof Quazi Faruque threatened to launch agitation programme if the government circular is not cancelled by Saturday.