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Ershad's directive to solve varsity teachers' housing problems

The monthly regular meeting of the University Vice Chancellors was held in Dhaka on Saturday at the International Conference Centre with President Hussain Muhammad Ershad in the chair, reports BSS.

During the meeting President Ershad, who is also the Chancellor of universities, expressed satisfaction at the peaceful holding of elections to the students unions of Rajshahi University and Mymensingh Agriculture University.

He said if everyone cooperated sincerely all elections could be held in a peaceful atmosphere.

Prime Minister Kazi Zafar Ahmed, who is in-charge of the Education Ministry, Presidential Adviser on Primary Education Mansoor Ali Sarkar, Chairman of the University Grant Commission (UGC) Prof. Syed Ali Ahsan, Education Secretary A.N.M. Eusuf, and UGC members Prof. M.A. Bari, Prof. Mohammad Ali and Prof. Shamsul Huq were present at the

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meeting.

Development activities of the universities were discussed at the meeting.

President Ershad directed the concerned authorities to solve the housing problems of the university teachers gradually.

He issued instructions to start quickly the work of two affiliating universities in the country.

The President asked the authorities to expedite the construction work of the Islamic University in Kushtia.

The meeting was informed that the architectural design and outlay of the Khulna University have been approved.

The meeting stressed the need for increasing the extra academic curricular activities and cultural pursuits of the students for the flourishing of their talent and mental make up.

Earlier, the Bangladesh National Commission of UNESCO (BNCU) presented the President one lakh ball pens for the implementation of the government's literacy programme.

The Secretary-General of BNCU and Education Secretary presented the President a badge of international literacy year.