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6th convocation of E-W University held Iajuddin urges varsities to provide quality edn

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President Professor Dr. Iajuddin Ahmed on Monday called upon the university authorities to take the state-of-the-art curricula for ensuring quality education.

The President said there is no alternative to empowering the students by providing them with state-of-the-art academic skill.

"Universities should take the state-of-the-art curricula so that our students can work at the cutting-edge of technology and make them worthy anywhere in the world," he told the 6th convocation of the East West University at the Bangladesh China Friendship Conference Centre.

Education Adviser Ayub Quadri attended the ceremony as special guest while Professor Emeritus of Chittagong University Prof. Jamal Nazrul Islam addressed as the convocation speaker.

The President called upon the educational institutions to provide proper education to the students so that they can make them capable and justify right or wrong in the way of their life.

"We need a congenial atmos-

phere where quality education can be ensured for all," he observed.

He said that universities, private or public ones could play a significant role in developing human resources to face the challenge of the time.

About the role of the teachers, he pointed out that at present, there is a dearth of experienced and capable teachers, especially for the technical subjects in the universities.

He emphasised the need for adopting appropriate measures for stopping brain-drain for the sake of the country as many students and teachers do not come back home after taking higher degrees abroad.

Dr Iajuddin called upon all concerned to come forward to stop brain-drain, saying: "It is our prime duty to ensure employment opportunity for the capable and highly qualified persons in the country in order to stop brain-drain."

"It is our expectation that all the universities would maintain the highest standard at the level of

higher education by taking appropriate curricula of world class, creating conducive atmosphere and providing concerted efforts," he said.

Prof. Iajuddin said after enacting the Private University Act in 1992, a good number of universities have been established in the country. Many of them are providing standard education to the students, he said. "But some of the universities may not be able to impart quality education to the students due to lack of congenial atmosphere", he added.

He hoped that all concerned, including the authorities of both private and public universities, would put in their best efforts to maintain the highest standard in educating.

Congratulating the graduates, the President said, "You would use your knowledge with a grand vision in mind, a vision of the prosperity of the country and the nation." He added this prosperity is not only material but also spiritual.

The President also thanked the university authorities, guardians as well as the fellow faculty members for providing right directions and proper guidance to the students.

To mention, as many as 644 undergraduates and graduate students were conferred degrees. Eleven students were honored with gold medals for their outstanding academic performance.

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