

University Inquiry Commission

Sir:—We would like to draw the kind attention of the authorities concerned to the duplication of the numerous Inquiry Commissions formed by the Government from time to time. Some time back the Government had announced the setting up of University Inquiry Commission to probe into all kinds of irregularities in all the six universities in the country. This Commission has already published, although not available to the public the reports on Dacca and Jahangir Nagar Universities and these reports are said to contain charges of corruption etc. This Commission has also completed investigation into the affairs of Chittagong, Rajshahi and Agricultural Universities. On August 20 the Government announced the formation of a large number of committees to probe corruption in the education sector. In this set-up, one committee is supposed to probe the affairs of all five Universities except Engineering University and another Committee is to probe the Education Division and

Engineering University. All these Committees are headed by civil servants. Now, naturally the question arises, whatever happened to the University Inquiry Commission which is currently investigating the affairs of Engineering University. As far as the Universities are concerned, Government should first of all make it clear if the Z. Huq Inquiry Commission is still functioning or not. And if the University Inquiry Commission headed by Mr. Z. Huq is dissolved then the Chancellor may appoint a Committee headed by a Judge of the Supreme Court to look into university affairs and not by the civil servants. —Yours etc. DR. NOORUD-DIN AHMED, DR. AZIZUL HUQ, Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology.