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Make convocation a success, urges, DU V-C

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Only ten days away from the 40th General Convocation of Dhaka University, the campus is yet to take a complete festive look as it is going to be the first General Convocation after the liberation.

Besides, the number of registrations made by the graduates eligible for the convocation is only 1600, which is below the expectation for the last convocation of the Century and the Millennium as well.

Meanwhile, the Vice Chancellor of the university Prof. A. K. Azad Chowdhury, in a press briefing on Monday, informed that the university was well prepared for holding the convocation successfully.

Prof. Chowdhury also said that all the important buildings on campus would be white-washed and renovated where necessary and four different gates in different designs would be erected in four key points on the campus suiting the occasion.

Different streets on the campus are being painted in coloured designs. The gates will be made in front of the Institute of Fine Arts, Nilkhet crossing, Plessey Crossing and in front of the High Court.

Dhaka University will award honorary doctorate degrees to Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and Nobel laureate international scholar Amartya Sen in the first ever general convocation of the university after liberation.

The Vice Chancellor also said that it was a privilege to the university to have both the heads of the State and the Government present on the occasion as DU alumni.

Prof. Chowdhury urged all concerned to make the convocation a success. He criticised some teachers for opposing honorary degree to the Prime Minister.

The VC also informed the press that the Leader of the Opposition in the Jatiya Sangsad will also be invited to the programme. Others who will be invited include the senior political leaders, chamber leaders, important alumni of the university, VCs of the universities throughout the country, VCs from different universities in the sub-continent and senior journalists.