

## **'Conspirators' in CUTA warned**

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CHITTAGONG, Dec.13:—One hundred eighty four teachers of Chittagong University in a joint statement to the Press warned that a vested quarter was out to jeopardise the academic life in the University. The teachers felt that this vested quarter, keeping in touch with different leading persons of ousted Ershad Government are still hatching conspiracy to strengthen the hands of autocratic.

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elements. Pointing out to the Chittagong University Teachers Association (CUTA), the teachers lamented that certain members of its executive Committee "are party to this heinous conspiracy".

The university teachers termed a recent decision of CUTA Executive Committee through which it demanded the resignation of the Vice-Chancellor as absolutely motivated and a move to suppress its past activities shedded with black spots. The teachers praised the incumbent Vice-Chancellor for his contribution in creating an atmosphere in Chittagong University conducive to healthy academic life.

The signatories to the statement are Professor Jamal Nazrul Islam, Dr. Anupam Sen, Professor Hamida Banu, Professor Ali Imdad Khan, Professor Zia Haider, Professor Fazle Hossain and Professor Abdul Mannan.

Meanwhile, the Chittagong University Vice Chancellor Prof Alamgir Mohammad Shirajuddin Wednesday night told a press conference that a particular coterie was perpetrating terrorism for quite long time to vitiate the academic atmosphere. The Vice Chancellor claimed that this same coterie kept his office forcibly under lock and key and thwarting discharge of his normal works but the competent authority did not come forward to check that unabated terrorism despite his repeated complaints.

In reply to a question the registrar of Chittagong University who present at the press conference disclosed that none of the teachers submitted resignation during the anti-Ershad movement.

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