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## 213 DU teachers reject plea for caretaker govt

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Two hundred thirteen teachers of Dhaka University in a joint statement on Saturday opposed the demand for neutral caretaker government terming it as unconstitutional. They urged all to make the present Parliament effective and meaningful.

In their statement, they said parliament boycott, demand for neutral caretaker government, provocative statements in the Press resorting to terrorism in the name of political rivalry and repeated programme of hartals and strike were pushing the country to political instability and uncertainty. They added that such activities had been creating obstacles to democratic process and hampering the investment environment and de-

velopment activities in the country.

The signatories to the statement said that there was no need for caretaker government to ensure free and fair elections. They pointed out that to hold free and fair elections, the Election Commission should be vested with more authority and political parties should demonstrate sincerity.

Prominent among the signatories are Dr. Yajuddin Ahmed, Dr. M. Ershadul Bari, Dr. Anwarullah Chowdhury, Prof. Shafiqur Rahman, Prof. Kamrul Ahsan Chowdhury, Prof. Sayeed Saleheen Quadri, Prof. Nurunnahar Rahman, Prof. Abul Ahmed, Dr. Laila Nur Islam, Prof. Saidur Rahman.