

GOP sweeps DU Senate polls

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Ganotantrik Oikya Parishad (GOP), backed by Awami League and its allies swept the registered graduates representatives elections of Dhaka University Senate winning all the 25 posts.

The GOP panel defeated ruling party BNP backed White Panel and another panel sponsored by Jamaat-e-Islam and Jatiya Party by a big margin.

The elections were held in two phases, first in twelve centres outside Dhaka on April 30 and at Dhaka University Teachers-Students' Centre on Wednesday. Out of 6336 registered graduate voters, 4002 cast their votes in the election. In total 160 candidates, 25 each from three

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panels and 85 independent contested the elections.

Dr. A.A.M.S. Arefin Siddique, Chairman of Mass Communication and Journalism Department who led GOP panel, got the highest vote (2172 votes).

Other twenty-four candidates of GOP panel who won the election are: Prof. Abdul Mannan Chowdhury (2007), Member Secretary of Nirmul Committee, Ramendur Majumder (1929), a leading drama artiste, Dr. Mohammad Harun-Ur-Rashid (1892), Associate Professor of Political Science Department of Dhaka University, Dr. A.T.M. Nurur Rahman Khan (1838), Professor of Bengali Department of Dhaka University, Dr. Syed Mudasser Ali (1837), Head of Ophthalmology Department of Dhaka Medical College, Mahfuza Khanam (1825), Associate Professor of Government Science College Physics Department, A.K.M. Shamsuzzaman Khan (1815), Director of Bangla Academy, M. Akhtaruzzaman (1802), Professor of Botany of Dhaka University, Dr. Md. Enamul Haq (1802), Professor of Geology of Dhaka University, Ismat Kadir Gama (1801), and Awami League leader, A.N. Rasheda (1771), Professor of Notre Dame College, Begum Khaleda Habib (1757), teacher of Udayan High School, Neelufar Begum (1737), member Director of Public Administration Training Centre at Savar, Syed Rezaur Rahman

(1638), Advocate of Supreme Court, Syed Ahmed (1628), Advocate of Supreme Court, Mohammad Abdus Salam Talukder (1615), Advocate of Supreme Court, Ms. Ohiduzzaman Chand (1609), Advocate of Supreme Court, Md. Enamul Haq (1587), Deputy General Manager of Agrani Bank, Kazi Akram Uddin Khan (1567), a leading industrialist, Advocate Ozair Farooq (1535), former General Secretary of Supreme Court Bar Association, Md. Habibur Rahman Khan (1521), a businessman, Md. Azizul Islam Bhuiyan (1515), General Secretary of Dhaka Union of Journalists, Md. Shahjalal Majumder (1422), an industrialist and Md. Manjurul Islam (1398), a businessman.

In a statement GOP Convenor Prof. Shahdat Ali, Joint Secretary Dr. Anwar Hossain and Ohiduzzaman Chan hailed the election of the GOP candidates as the victory of the spirit of the Liberation War and Bengali nationalism.

They said that the GOP members would play an uncompromising role in Dhaka University Senate to ensure academic atmosphere resisting terrorism on the campus, improve the standard of education and research, remove session jam and oppose politicisation in the university. They thanked the conscious registered graduate voters for their support to the GOP panel.

Bangladesh Chhatra League president Enamul Haque Shamim and General Secretary Ishak Ali Khan Panna in a joint statement on Thursday congratulated Ganotantrik Oikya Parishad for bagging all the seats in Dhaka University registered election. They also congratulated voters for cast their votes in favour of the force belonging to the ideals of Bangali nationalism and Liberation War.