

Teachers, students to reopen DU today

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The teachers and students of Dhaka University have decided to resume classes today (Sunday) defying the government order.

The Dhaka University Teachers Association has taken the decision to take the classes today (Sunday). It urged the students to attend the classes.

The mainstream opposition parties and alliances have extended their support to the decision of the teachers and students of Dhaka University to resume the classes.

However, Vice Chancellor of Dhaka University Prof. Moniruzzaman Mia said that the decision about the reopening of the University would be taken by the syndicate. In an emergency meeting held on November 7 the syndicate decided to hold a meeting today (Sunday) at 3.30 p.m. with the leaders of the 22 students organisations which formed the All-party Students Unity to discuss about the reopening of the university. The syndicate meeting also decided to resume the academic activities of the university on Monday.

Meanwhile, the Government indicated that the universities are free to reopen after the expiry of the government order on Tuesday. The closure order under the Education Ordinance is effective for a month until Monday, November 12.

The Government suddenly shut down all the five universities in the country forcing the students to leave their halls last month in the wake of mass movement launched by the opposition since October 10 to force the present regime to resign and hold a free and fair elections under a neutral government. The colleges and

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schools in Dhaka city were also closed on October 13. However, the city schools resumed classes on Thursday.

The Agriculture University Teachers Association has decided to resume classes on Wednesday.

Meanwhile, the hearing before the Division Bench of the High Court Division of the Supreme Court on the writ petition challenging the order of closing the Dhaka University and other educational institutions by the government will resume today (Sunday).

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