

CU syndicate meet held

Chittagong Office

CHITTAGONG, June 29:—The University of Chittagong today held its Syndicate and Finance Committee meeting at the campus residence of Vice-Chancellor.

The syndicate meeting which was earlier postponed three times in the last one month in the face of stiff opposition from a section of teachers and students took place peacefully. However, a strong contingent of police remained on guard around the residence of Vice-chancellor.

The syndicate meeting presided over by the Vice-Chancellor Prof. Alamgir Mohammad Shirajuddin was divided into two sessions.

The first session primarily dealt with university budget proposals. The second session discussed the miscellaneous issues of the university. But the exact outcome of Syndicate meeting could not be known.

Nevertheless, the Chittagong University jatiyotabadi Shikkok Parsi-had (nationalist teachers council) Chittagong University Teachers Association, Sangrami Chatra Oyikko and Islamic Chatra Shibir vehemently criticised the holding of Syndicate meeting under the chairmanship of present Vice-Chancellor. They said that the present Vice-Chancellor lost moral right to head Chittagong University due to his "partisan and par-

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tal" policies.

The Sangrami Chatra Oyikko held a demonstration and took out procession in the city today in protest against the Syndicate meeting. The Chittagong University Unit Islamic Chatra Shibir termed the Syndicate meeting as a conspiracy to divert the students from the demand of resignation of the Vice-Chancellor.

The All Party Students Unity (APSU) and Chittagong University Central Students Union (CUCSU) leaders in a joint statement warned of dire consequences for disruption of Syndicate meeting and other academic activities. The leaders reiterated their demand for freeing of the campus from the clutches of what they called terrorist.

A section of teachers called upon all quarters to shun what called unnecessary controversies in the holding of syndicate meeting during the period of vacation. The meeting presided over by Prof. Fazle Hossain expressed concern over the covert move of vester quarer for paralysing Chittagong University.

Meanwhile, a meeting of guardians, teachers and professionals was held at J.M. Sen Hall on Friday afternoon to discuss the situation in Chittagong University. The meeting presided over by Barrister Salimul Huq Khan, Chairman of Democratic professional Forum dwelt at length over the prevailing situation on the campus. The meeting demanded the resignation of incumbent Vice-Chancellor Prof. Alamgir Mohammad Shirajuddin within July 5. The meeting also sought the intervention of Chancellor, prime Minister and Education Minister to resolve the crisis in Chittagong University. The meeting also asked the university authority to keep its Syndicate meeting postponed. Among the speakers at the meeting were Dr. Mahbub Ullah, Prof. A.Z.M. Nuruddin Chowdhury, Dr. A.F.M. Emam Ali, Dr. Ahmed Fazle Hassan Chowdhury, Advocate Hadiul Alam, Advocate Shamsuddin Ahmed Mirza, Dr. Ranjit Sharma, Dr. Abdur Nur and Dr. Nurul Islam.