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Ershad orders judicial probe into DU incident

Call for stern action on campus violences

DHAKA, Feb. 26 (BSS): President Hussain Muhammad Ershad tonight ordered judicial probe into the incident that took place in Dhaka University yesterday.

The President also ordered the Ministry of Home Affairs to take strenuous measures against miscreants and terrorists whoever they might be and wherever they stay in response to a request made by Vice Chancellors of the universities to the Government and the political parties to ensure academic atmosphere on the campuses.

The President gave the orders at the emergency meeting of the Vice Chancellors held at the Committee Room of International Conference Centre here to discuss the campus situation in Dhaka University following the death of a student and assault on the Vice Chancellor of the university.

The judicial probe into the incident of Dhaka University will be conducted by a judge of the Supreme Court.

The meeting, chaired by

President Ershad, who is the Chancellor of all universities strongly condemned the assault on the Vice Chancellor of Dhaka University Prof M A Mannan and mooted that persons responsible for the incident would be dealt with as per the law of the land.

The meeting expressed its deep grief and concern at the loss of life and injuries sustained by a number of persons in the yesterday's incidents in Dhaka University. It prayed for the peace of the departed soul.

Home Minister Mahmudul Hasan, Education Minister Sheikh Shahidul Islam, State Minister for Education Mansoor Ali Sarkar, Principal Secretary to the President A H Sadique, Chairman of the University Grants Commission National Professor Syed Ali Ahsan and Education Secretary A N M Eusuf were present.