

Nahid urges teachers to help fight militancy

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Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid yesterday urged teachers to play a 'pro-active role' in supplementing the government efforts to root out terrorism from the society.

"Teachers must inquire into movement and attitudes of their students to avoid their involvement with destructive activities," he told a peace rally against terrorism at Krishibid Institution in the capital.

Director General of the Directorate of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Dr SM Wahiduzzaman, President of Bangladesh Public University Parishad Prof Dr Md Alauddin, cultural personality Ramendu Majumder, among others, addressed the rally with Vice Chancellor of National University Prof Dr Harun-Or-Rashid in the chair.

Nearly 1,200 principals from different colleges across the country took part in the rally.

Nahid also urged parents to remain vigilant about their children to avoid their involvement in destructive activities.

Only enforcement of law cannot combat terrorism and militancy. Social movement is a must for it; he added.

Nahid asked the authorities concerned to inquire into unauthorised absence of students for more than 10 days at a stretch.

He said a vested quarter is launching a conspiracy to misguide students through misinterpreting Islam to gain their ill-motive. He urged all including teachers and parents to resist the anti-state conspirators.

The minister said the defeated forces of the Liberation War are active to create instability in Bangladesh while the country is progressing fast under the dynamic leadership of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina.