

## The New Nation Forum

NOTRE DAME COLLEGE

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I am a father who is repenting for having sent his son to the famed Notre Dame College. My son, a first year student of the same college is also very upset.

I had thought that my son would get the best possible education there, but on the contrary these days he returns home very very disappointed.

He has told me that in statistics period some boys play ping-pong balls or some other games as they please. The teachers cannot control them. No one follows his lecture. From my nephew, a student of the second year commerce class I have gathered that recently there was lot of commotion in Principles of Commerce class. The same is true of Geography too. He also gave me a very sorry picture of Statistics class. If this is so in Notre Dame why do they charge such high fees which is usually increased every year? Even Habibullah Bahar or Kazi

Nazrul college is much better discipline wise and students do not play in class but the fee is much lower.

One who knows.  
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### QUALITY OF DU TEACHERS

Lately interviews of some teachers are being published in this page where teachers have said that students of today are generally speaking worse than those of yesteryears. I would like to pose a question to the DU teachers themselves—what about their quality? Hasn't it gone down too?

Can anyone tell me how students with simple second class in their masters and graduation level manage to be teachers? Who gets the time to gossip for hours together at

the teacher's room or at the University Club? From where do teachers get time to do politics for VC's panel or anti VC's panel?

All these are happening at our discomfiture. We suffer but do not make the teachers suffer. There are a number of teachers of DU who are too happy to miss their class on this or that pretext. Who takes note of such things?

Please donot blame the students. We all are responsible for things as they are at DU. One cannot clap with one hand only.

### Aggrieved Students of DU BORD's SSC MERIT LIST MANIPULATED?

My son Mahmud-ul-Islam Khan appeared at the SSC examination this year from



Mohammedpur Govt High School bearing Roll No-5164 (West). I know that he has on purpose being denied a position in the merit list. From class I—X he was never second in the class. In the primary scholarship examination he secured the first position in the talent pool in 1982. In the junior scholarship exam held in 1986 he secured the same position again.

My son did quite well in his SSC exam. His school teachers were confident that he would be among the first ten but unfortunately when the results were announced his name was nowhere in the merit list.

On 16-7-88 my younger brother Khandakar Oliuzzaman who is also a member of the Jatiya Sangsad met the Chairman of the BSIE, Dhaka and could see some change of marks against my sons name in the tabulation seat.

Against maths his mark was 97 which was later cut and 87 put instead. In Bengali 60 has been cut to be replaced by 55. The same thing has happened in English Paper II also.

The Chairman had asked my brother to keep these things a secret, assuring him that he would look into the matter. But nothing has happened so far. Why should my son be the victim? Why should marks be changed in the tabulation sheet? Can someone tell me what to do? Will the Education Ministry kindly look into the matter and unearth the mystery?

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