



Barrister Mainul Hosein, Chairman of the Editorial Boards of The New Nation and the Ittefaq, distributing prizes among the winners in the annual indoor games competition of Mohsin Hall of Dhaka University on Thursday. —New Nation photo

Teacher-student relationship has to be closer: Mainul

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Barrister Mainul Hosein has said the teachers and the students together shall have to take full responsibilities for protecting academic atmosphere at the universities.

"The universities are given autonomy so that there is no outside interference in the running of the universities and maintaining congenial academic atmosphere", said the Chairman of the editorial boards of the New Nation and the Ittefaq.

Barrister Mainul Hosein was addressing a student-teacher gathering at Mohsin Hall in Dhaka University campus on Thursday on the conclusion of a week-long indoor sports competition.

Later he distributed prizes among the winners.

Presided over by Dr A S M Fayeze, Provost of the Hall, it was addressed, among others, by Emdad Khan Vice President

of the hall union, Rafiqul Islam, General Secretary and Mohsin Sarker, indoor sports secretary of the hall union.

Barrister Hosein said that outside influence was vitiating the university life and called for resistance to this by the teachers and the students jointly.

Mr Hosein stressed closer relations between the teachers and the students.

He said there is no political system in our country through which a democratic government can be installed and through which it can survive.

The opportunities for establishment of a government based on popular consent and chosen through popular election and dependant on peoples power has been destroyed in the country, he said.

In a situation like this it has become impossible to know who will come to power and what will be their nature and character, he said. Students are bound to be affected by this situation he said adding 'we have to save education for saving the nation.'

Pointing to the students' struggle for democracy in other countries, the Chairman of the Editorial Boards of the New Nation and the Ittefaq said, our youths will also draw inspiration from it.

Our students also made history in the past by their struggle for democracy and peoples rights, he pointed out.

Barrister Hosein said that the students must not neglect their studies because it was only through proper education they could build their character and thus earn honour for the nation.

Mr Emdad Khan, Vice President of Mohsin Hall Students Union in his speech said the Government was spending huge amount of money in unproductive sectors while the educational sector remained badly neglected.

Dr ASM Fayeze, Provost of the Hall in his presidential address, said sports also are a part of education and the students must give due attention to it side by side with their educational pursuits.

The programme was rounded off with a cultural programme.