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Pry teachers call off hunger strike

By A Staff Correspondent

The primary teachers have called off their hunger strike on Monday.

The Primary Teachers Association will hold a meeting at Baitul Mukarram on December 30 (Wednesday), which will be addressed by the leaders of the Opposition political parties, says a Press release of the association.

The Press release further said that the continuous strike in the primary schools will also be called off from December 31.

BSS says the decision to call off the hunger strike was taken at a rally at the Central Shaheed Minar Monday morning where leaders of different Opposition political parties requested the teachers to end fasting "in the interest of carrying forward their just struggle".

However, the primary teachers would continue their general strike, which means refraining from duties, till December 30; it was announced after the rally at the Shaheed Minar the venue of the hunger strike.

The primary teachers will observe a country-wide demonstration day on January 15 after which the association will undertake its next course of action for a greater and ceaseless movement, "if the authorities fail to meet our demands."

Presided over by Mr. Sham-sur Rahman, Vice President of the Association, the rally was

addressed by more than a dozen leaders of different political parties including the Awami League (Hasina) CPB, IDL, Democratic League, Ekota Party, Awami League (Mizan), Workers Party, People's League BSD, Democratic Party, Ganomukti Party, Majdur Party and JAGFA.