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GAU teachers protest at new pro-VC appointment

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The Teachers' Association of Gazipur Agricultural University in a statement on Friday expressed concern over the appointment of an external academic as pro-vice-chancellor of the university, describing the decision as a setback to the institution's tradition of nurturing leadership from within.

At a meeting of the association's executive committee on Thursday, teachers criticised the appointment of Professor Md Jahedur Rahman of Sher-e-Bangla Agricultural University to the post, arguing that the decision overlooks the experience, competence and contributions of GAU's own faculty members.



The association warned that the appointment could undermine the university's academic environment, research activities and administrative stability.

It urged the authorities to reconsider the decision and appoint a qualified and experienced candidate from within the university.

Speaking at the meeting, teachers' association general secretary Professor Mohammad Saiful Alam said that GAU had achieved remarkable progress in education, research and international collaboration, earning national and global recognition in various rankings.

'The university has a number of senior academics with proven administrative expertise, who are capable of serving in the role,' he noted.

Association president Professor Nasrin Akter Ivy said that GAU faculty members had played a pivotal role in the university's growth since its inception and that their experience and contributions deserved due recognition in appointments to key administrative positions.

The teachers' leaders emphasised that the issue went beyond a routine administrative appointment and was closely linked to the university's institutional identity, dignity and long-term development.

They expressed disappointment that earlier concerns raised by the academic community regarding the appointment of an external candidate were not taken into consideration.

The association called upon the government and relevant authorities to review the decision in the interest of the university's stability, academic progress and institutional integrity and to appoint a qualified candidate from among GAU's own faculty members to the position of pro-vice-chancellor.

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