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## The USSR Degrees

Sir,

It is really shocking that the Ph.D. Degrees of the USSR are not recognised by Bangladesh Medical and Dental Council (BMDC). Our children are still being sent by the Govt. to the USSR for higher studies in different subjects including medicine. While the degrees of the USSR yet remain unrecognised by BMDC, why should the Govt. send our children there? Many with Ph. D. degrees from the USSR are leading very miserable and pitiable lives, because without recognition of the said degrees by BMDC, these have no value. In the govt. prescribed Recruitment Rules, recognition of the said degrees by BMDC is a must for appointment to different higher posts. BMDC is, of course, nowadays granting direct reg-

istration to the Ph.D degrees-holder from the USSR by dispensing with the requirement of interneeship training that was earlier insisted upon in these cases as well. But this is not sufficient. Why should they rot for years for no fault of their own?

The matter has been pending for a very long time. It is affecting the lives of so many bright children of ours.

We hope the Govt. and BMDC would resolve the issue immediately.  
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