

Blue Panel sweeps DUTA polls

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Pro-Awami League Blue panel swept the Dhaka University Teachers' Association (DUTA) election bagging 12 posts out of 15.

The Blue panel captured all five executive posts including President and General Secretary. Only three candidates from the rival White panel, led by ruling BNP and Jamaat-e-Islami, were elected members.

Dr. A.T.M. Zahurul Haq of Economics Department and Dr. A.A.M.S. Arefin Siddique of Mass Communication and Journalism Department were elected President and General Secretary bagging 441 and 436 votes. Their rivals White panel candidates Dr. Jinnatunnesa Tahmina Begum of Botany and Dr. Syed Rashidul Hasan of Marketing got 345 and 346 votes.

Dr. A.T.M. Zahurul Haq was elected president for the second consecutive term.

Blue panel candidates Dr. Md. Muhibur Rahman of Chemistry, Dr. Iftekher Gani Chowdhury of Institute of Business Administration and Dr. Sahid Akhter Hussain of Soil Science were elected Vice-President, Treasurer and Joint Secretary respectively.

The elected executive committee members are Prof. Abdul Mannan



Prof ATM Zahurul Haq



Dr. AAMS Arefin Siddique

Chowdhury of Management (Blue), Prof. Abul Kalam Azad Chowdhury of Pharmacy (Blue), Dr. Md. Shaha-

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Blue panel

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dat Ali of Zoology (Blue), Dr. Khondaker Bazlul Haq of Management (Blue), Dr. S.M. Imamul Haq of Soil Science (Blue), Mr. Sharifullah Bhuiyan of History (Blue), Dr. Syed Giasuddin Ahmed of Public Administration (Blue), Dr. Anwar Hossain of the Institute of Business Administration (White), Dr. A.F.M. Yusuf Haider of Physics (White) and Dr. A.K.M. Sirajul Islam of Micro Biology (White).

Professor Abul Kalam Azad Chowdhury of Blue panel got the highest 439 votes.

The election was held at the University Club building premises from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. without any break. A total of 805 voters out of 1150 cast their vote.

Dr. Shanti Narayan Ghosh of Accounting Department conducted the election.

The newly elected President Dr. A.T.M. Zahurul Haq and General Secretary Dr. AAMS Arefin Siddique congratulated all teachers of the university for voting in favour of Blue panel candidates in the election. "It is a victory of pro-liberation forces and the verdict of teachers has proved once again that there is no room for anti-liberation elements in Dhaka University", they said while expressing their reaction to journalists at DUTA premises. They said that they would work along with general teachers to maintain congenial academic atmosphere in the university.