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## DUTA election tomorrow

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The election of Dhaka University Teachers' Association (DUTA) for the year 1996 will be held tomorrow (Saturday) at the Dhaka University Club.

A total of 30-candidates from two panels—"Blue" and "White" will contest for 15—DUTA seats. Some 1200 voters are expected to cast their votes in the polls which will be held from 10 a.m to 2 p.m without any break.

For the posts of President and General Secretary, incumbent President Professor A.T.M. Zahirul Haque and Dr. A.A.M.S. Arefin Siddique are contesting from the Blue Panel while Professor Jinnatunnesa Tahmida Begum and Professor Syed Rashidul Hasan from the White Panel.

For the posts of Vice-President, Treasurer and Joint Secretary Professor Md. Muhidur Rahman, Dr. Iftekhar Gani Chowdhury and Dr. Shahid Akhter Hossain are contesting from the Blue Panel while Professor Ziaus Shams, M.M. Haque, Professor Jamaluddin Ahmed, Mr. Golam Mohammad Chowdhury are contesting from the White Panel.

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Those who are contesting for memberships from the Blue Panel are: Dr. Amal Krishna Haldar, Professor Abdul Mannan Chowdhury, Professor Abul Kalam Azad Chowdhury, Kazi Afroza Jahan Ara, Dr. Khondoker Bazlul Haque, Professor Md. Shahadat Ali, Professor Rafiqul Islam Sharif, Dr. Imamul Haque, Sharif Ullah Bhuiyan and Professor Syed Giasuddin Ahmed.

The White Panel candidates for memberships are: Professor Anwar Hossain, Professor A.F.M. Yusuf Haider, Dr. A.K.M. Sirajul Islam Khan, Professor M.A. Wadud Bhuiyan, Professor M. Sahjahan Mian, Dr. Tasmeri Selina Akhter, Professor Md. Abdus Satter, Professor Md. Khalilur Rahman, Dr. Sayedur Rahman and Dr. Habiba Khatun.

The leaders of two groups are engaged in hectic campaign in favour of their respective candidates. Both the panels—the Blue and the White—distributed leaflet making a number of commitments.

The Jamaat-e-Islami backed White Panel which did not submit nomination paper is learnt to provide support to the BNP-backed White Panel in the polls while the Pink group known as neutral group is expected to extend their support to Awami League-backed Blue Panel.