

Major parties give separate panels

2,500 nominations for 185 DUCSU, hall posts

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On the final day of filing nomination papers for Dhaka University Central Students Union (DUCSU) polls on Saturday, nearly 2500 candidates submitted their nomination papers for 185 posts of DUCSU and 14 hall unions. All the student organisations have participated in the filing of nomination papers.

After filing of the nomination papers, all the student organisations brought out processions on the campus in support of the candidates. Three groups belonging to the Jatiyotabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) submitted separate panels. A large procession backing Aman-Kookon panel was brought out on the campus claiming the blessings of Begum Khaleda Zia, Chairman of the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP). Another group supporting Asaduzzaman Ripon, as the Vice-President submitted nomination paper and brought out a procession. The other group seeking Shamsuzzaman Dudu as V-P brought out another procession. The central leaders of BNP and the Chhatra Dal were holding a meeting at the BNP head office with a view to breaking the stalemate till writing of this report. The meeting is expected to review the situation arising out of the split and work out a single panel.

Bangladesh Awami League-backed Chhatra league submitted a single panel with Shah Alam as Vice-President and Syed Kamrul Ahsan as General Secretary. There has not been any opposition to this panel in the party hierarchy. Bangladesh Chhatra Union, backed by the Communist Party of Bangladesh (CPB), submitted a separate panel with Mustafizur Rahman as Vice-President and Nasiruddin as General Secretary.

The nine-party student alliance has split over the floating of a single

panel. Chhata Ekota Kendra and Chhatra Oikkya Front have seceded from the Nine-Party student alliance over the distribution of posts. Other parties in the alliance fielded Mush-taq Hussain and Zahiruddin Swapan as Vice President and General Secretary. The nine-party student alliance is being backed by the five-party combine. With the split of the student alliance, the leaders of the main political wing, Five-Party alliance are at odds to settle the issue of fielding a single panel.

Islami Chhatra Shibir submitted panel with Aminul Islam Mukul as Vice President and Mujibur Rahman as General Secretary. The decision of the Shibir was announced earlier. Bangladesh Chhatra League (JSD-Siraj) submitted another panel with Md. Khorshed Ali and Shymal Kumar Roy as Vice President and General Secretary respectively. Bangladesh Islami Chhatra Sena submitted another panel with Shehabuddin Md. Abdus Samad as President and Mosabebuddin Bakhtiar as General Secretary. Bangladesh Chhatra Parishad submitted a panel with Md. Obaidullah Choudhury as President and Md. Abdul Awal as General Secretary. The party brought out a procession on the campus in support of their candi-

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dates.

Jatiya Chhatra Dal panel consists of Vice-President—Mansurul Hye Sohan, General Secretary—Kazi Rezaul Karim, Assistant General Secretary—Manzurul Hye Lenin, Social Welfare Secretary—Md. Jasimuddin, Commonroom Secretary—Md. Mostafa Shahid, Women's Commonroom Secretary—Rifat Naznin, Social Entertainment Secretary—Munshi Quamruzzaman, Science Auditorium Secretary—Sazzad Zahir, Transport Secretary—Md. Quamruzzaman, Sports Secretary—Zahid Newaz Khan, Literary Secretary—Shanti Maria.

Biplobi Chhatra Mancha submitted another panel with M.A. Awal as Vice-President and Hasanul Bari Hazan as General Secretary.

The electioneering for the ensuing DUCSU and hall union elections as generated considerable interests among the political circle. The alliances and parties which have already been split over the nomination issues were said to be holding talks over rapprochement which are expected to continue till the last date of withdrawal which has been fixed on May 31.