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Authorities blamed for failure to check DU violence

DHAKA, Feb 27 (UNB): Leaders of the Dhaka University teachers today blamed the authorities for their failure in checking student violence and terrorism on the campus.

General Secretary of Dhaka University Teachers' Association (DUTA) Dr. M. A. Mannan told UNB that the university administration had proved to be totally ineffective in maintaining congenial academic atmosphere.

The DUTA leader criticised Vice Chancellor Prof. Abdul Mannan for his "administrative inabilities", observing that he

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had played the role of a puppet at the hands of the establishment.

The innumerable inquiry committees set up by the Dhaka University authorities delivered nothing, he observed pointing out that as many as 800 such bodies were instituted in last nine years.

A total of 413 committees were formed to inquire into terrorism and murder in the campus since 1980-81, according to informed sources.

Dr. Moniruzzaman Miah, a DU Senate member, said the VC did not take proper measures to check violence on the campus which had forced more than 502 days of unscheduled closure of the university in last nine years.