

## DUCSU polls campaign gets momentum

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With only two days left for the June 6 DUCSU and Hall Union election campaign has gained momentum. Colourful banners, fastoons and posters put up by the intending candidates give the campus a burgeoning look. Besides this, the campaign through rallies and processions is being intensified by various student organisations in favour of their respective panels.

Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD), the student wing of BNP began its electioneering on Saturday following the end of their internal feud over the DUCSU panel. The Aman-Khokon panel held a projection rally at the foot of Aparajeya Bangla on the day which was addressed by the candidates of the panel. However, Dudu and Ripon, two frontline JCD

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activists, were not seen in the rally and procession. Earlier on Friday Shamsuzzaman Dudu and Aseduzzaman Ripon withdrew themselves from the race.

Meanwhile, the candidates have started hectic moves to attract and contact general voters. The candidates are found electioneering in the class rooms, corridors, seminar rooms, hall rooms and seeking votes from the students. Some of the candidates are also reportedly, moving to individual residences of the general students for the purpose.

An interesting competition has been started among the candidates fighting for the posts of literary and cultural secretaries. They have taken the TSC premises as their main venue of campaigning. The candidates for the post of literary secretary have published a number of booklets with long descriptions of personal profiles.

On Saturday various student organisations brought out processions on the campus. Bangladesh Chhatra League (H-A) brought out a procession in support of the Alam-Kamrul Parishad while the Nine-student-organisations combine brought out its procession in favour of the Mush-taq-Swapan Parishad. Jatiya Chhatra League brought out a procession in support of the Bulbul-Kamal Parishad.

Meanwhile, the security measures for the ensuing polls have been intensified. A large contingent of police has been deployed in and around the campus to prevent any untoward incident.

UNB adds: Police said they were checking motorbikes and cars passing through the campus as a precautionary measure. But vehicles with stickers issued by the Dhaka University authorities were allowed to go, they said.

The entry points to the campus closed by police are: Shahbagh, Old Railway Hospital Road, Old High Court Crossing, Chandkhar Pool, DMC Hostel Gate, Plassey and Nilkhet.

All kinds of vehicles, except those carrying special permission of the university authorities, would be obstructed from entering into the campus through these points during the casting and counting of votes in Wednesday's polls.

All kinds of campaign would be banned 24 hours ahead of the allotting to start.

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