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## Students convention begins today

The first ever students convention under the auspices of Dhaka University Central Students Union (DUCSU) will be held today (Monday) at 10 a.m. at the Engineers Institute auditorium, in Dhaka, reports BSS.

About 5,000 student representatives from 841 colleges and universities of the country will attend the convention, the organisers said. The DUCSU leaders will hold the convention with a view to floating a new students movement to realise various demands of the student community. The DUCSU demanded establishment of production-oriented education policy, measures to stop campus violence, reduction of prices of essentials including newsprint needed by the students and resignation of the present government.

The DUCSU leaders exchanged views with the leaders of different student organisations and political parties irrespective of political beliefs and invited them to attend the convention. But in all probability the convention will not be a unified students convention under the sponsorship of DUCSU as disunity has again surfaced in the opposition camp.

Jahir Uddin Swapan, the leader of the nine-party students combine, expressing scepticism said that there was a faint probability to unify the students first and then to bring the mainstream opposition to a common platform to unseat the present government forcing a free and fair elections under a neutral government.

DUCSU V.P. Amanullah Aman will preside over the convention.