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Govt college teachers' strike call put off

Bangladesh Government College Professors and Lecturers Association have suspended their programme of abstaining from work scheduled from May 21 to June 7, an official handout said, says BSS.

A decision to this effect was taken at a meeting of the leaders of the associations led by their presidents with Education Minister Barrister Jamiruddin Sircar held at the conference room of the Ministry of Education on Wednesday.

The matters relating to creation of new posts in 56 colleges, immediate appointment of lecturers, filling of post of Assistant and Associate Professors and Professors with selection grade, through relaxation of reservation, giving retrospective effect to the affected teachers, promotion and selection grade of lecturers, associate and Assistant Professors, establishment of rest house and waiting for the teachers in Dhaka, inclusion of the teachers in the warrant of precedence and relaxation of promotion rules for demonstrators in details were discussed.

The Minister gave a patient hearing to the 12-point demand of the associations and assured the government college teachers to take necessary action to remove disparity of pay of teachers of 19 colleges, create new posts in 56 colleges, give retrospective effect to the affected teachers, withdraw 20 per cent reservation in case of promotion up to June 1993.

Additional Secretary of the Ministry Mrs Khudeza Azam, Director General of the Secretary and Higher Education Prof M. Eunus Mia, Vice President of the Associations Prof. S.M. Hatem Ali, and Abdul Majid, Secretary General Mrs. Mamataz Begum, Joint Secretary Mrs. Fazilatunessa, Organising Secretary Abdul Kader, President of Dhaka City Committee Mrs. Hosne Aktar, Principal Tofazzal Hossain Sarker, Mrs. Rafiqa Khanam, Leaders of Lecturers Association Miss Ismat Ara, Mrs. Mahbuba Jalal, Ismat Anamul Huq, Nabiruddin and M.A. Aziz attended the meeting.