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## DUCSU polls Distribution of nomination papers begins

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The distribution of nomination papers among the candidates of DUCSU and hall students' unions polls began on Monday amid tension.

The pro-Awami League Chhatra League (M-I) while demanding shifting of the DUCSU polls date its arch rival BNP backed Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) is determined to hold the polls on the scheduled date. The Ganotantrik Chhatra Oikya (GCO), a combined body of the Eight left-leaning student organisations, is maintaining silence over this issue.

Some candidates collected nomination papers on the first day on Monday but their number could not be ascertained. Nomination papers will be available till March 27.

Meanwhile, different student organisations brought out processions and held rallies on the campus as the election of DUCSU and 14 hall students' unions are nearing.

Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD), the student wing of ruling BNP, brought out a large procession which was followed by a rally.

Addressing the rally JCD leaders urged the students to vote for their nominees for the creation of a terrorism free education campus. The rally, held in front of the DUCSU building, was addressed, among others, by Shahiduddin Chowdhury Anee and Shahjahan Howlader Sujan.

The Awami League backed Chhat-

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ra League (M-I) also brought out a procession and paraded the campus chanting slogans in support of their demand for shifting the DUCSU polls.

Chhatra League also held a rally in front of the Aparajeo Bangla which was addressed, among others, by organisations President Moinuddin Hasan Chowdhury and Iqbalur Rahim.

They alleged that the campus situation was deteriorating as the ruling party backed JCD was allowing terrorists in Mohsin Hall, Surya Sen Hall and Jasimuddin Hall.

They demanded immediate arrest of armed outsiders from the campus.

Ganotantrik Chhatra Oikya (GCO) held a rally in front of the Madhu's Canteen which was addressed, among others, by Mostaq Alam Tulu and Saifur Rahman Tapan.

They urged the university students to vote for GCO candidates in the ensuing polls. They also demanded eviction of terrorists from residential halls.

Bangladesh Islami Chhatra Sena President S.M. Abdus Samad at a meeting on Monday urged the university authorities to take immediate measure to ensure peaceful atmosphere for DUCSU polls.

The meeting, held at its city unit office with university unit convener Munsir Gias Uddin in the chair, was addressed by Mahmudul Hasan and Mafijur Rahman.

Meanwhile, the Dhaka University authorities had a meeting with student leaders on Monday afternoon to discuss the situation in different halls specially in Zahurul Haq Hall and Salimullah Hall. The meeting advised students who are now staying outside to return to their respective rooms immediately.