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## DU convocation deferred

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Dhaka University authorities have deferred the first ever general convocation programme of the university after the independence.

The date for the convocation programme was earlier fixed on August 10, will now be held in late November, DU Vice-Chancellor Prof A K Azad Chowdhury told this yesterday.

The VC said that the date was changed due to time constraint. "We need more time to hold the convocation ceremony because it's a big event for the university and the country," he added.

The VC, however, told that the university authorities were trying hard to hold the convocation within the month of November. He said that the date of the function would also be finalised soon.

The VC said that the President and Chancellor of the DU Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed consented to the programme when he informed him the matter recently.

"The President had advised me to invite all the eminent personalities of the country, including the Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Begum Khaleda Zia," the VC added.

President Shahabuddin will be the chief guest of the function while Nobel laureate Amartya Sen is expected to attend the ceremony as special guest of honour.

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