



Inadequate infrastructural facilities hamper RU academic activities

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RAJSHAHI UNIVERSITY: Mar 20.—Academic activities of Rajshahi University are being hampered for scarcity of adequate number of classrooms, teachers chambers, seminar rooms and laboratory rooms.

The rooms in the university are small enough to accommodate the students of a class. As a result, most of the classrooms remain crowded. Many students attend the classes standing inside the rooms.

An estimate showed that the number of students under Arts and Social Science Faculties is around 13,000. There are nearly 250 teachers in 18 departments under these faculties. But there are only 36 classrooms, 129 teachers chambers, 16 seminar rooms and 19 office rooms. There is no common rooms, laboratory rooms for the students of these departments.

Classes of three departments under these faculties are held in the business studies building. Another class is held at arts and crafts building.

Students of these faculties usually gather at the teachers' room and the teachers ask the students where they would like to hold the class. The students search for a free room and accordingly the class begins.

A total of three departments of

science faculty like Population and Human Rights Department, Pharmacy Department and Computer Science Department have been facing these problems.

The Computer Science Department has only one classroom. Students of five batches are studying in the department has no seminar and common room. Two or more teachers are compelled to sit in one room.

The Pharmacy and Population and Human Right Department of the faculty have also been facing these problems.

Some departments of commerce and Life and Earth Science Faculties have been facing problems such as lack of laboratory and research materials. As a result, their academic activities are being hampered to a great extent.

Some teachers of the university take their classes during the breaks. Sometimes, classes are also held in the seminar room or even at the teachers' rooms.

The academic activities of the university are also being badly hampered due to opening of new subjects every year without infrastructural arrangements. These newly introduced departments have no buildings, seminar rooms, classrooms and so on.