

'CARRY ON' SYSTEM Medical students continue demo for restoration

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Medical students yesterday continued demonstrating demanding that the authorities concerned restore the "carry on" system that allows them to continue having classes with their batch after they fail any professional exam.

Bangladesh Medical and Dental Council in 2012 scrapped the system, meaning if a student fails a subject in a professional exam, they are not allowed to continue with classes until they sit for the improvement test and pass it six months later.

Thousands of students of private and public medical colleges, under the banner of "Sammilita Medical Shikddharthi Brinda Bangladesh", arranged a sit-in on the Central Shaheed Minar premises in the capital yesterday demanding restoration of the system.

They said they would lose six months if the carry on system is not restored.

They also expressed worry as the rules are unclear about a student who fails -- will he or she enrol for classes with a junior batch or will there be a special batch for such students.

Medical students have been demonstrating and boycotting classes since August 3 pressing for their demand.