

SUST VC urges agitating teachers to join work

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SHAHJALAL University of Science and Technology vice-chancellor Aminul Haque Bhuiyan on Thursday urged the teachers, who have resigned from 37 administrative posts demanding his removal, to return to their positions after the forthcoming Eid vacation that would begin from next Sunday.

He said he was requesting the agitating teachers to return to their work calling off their movement.

'I hope, the protesting teachers would join their work to run the campus activities and they would provide me with all kinds of assistance in this regard,' the SUST vice-chancellor said.

He made the call during a press conference held at the conference room of his campus office at the noon.

Responding to a question, Aminul Haque said he would contact with the agitating teachers and try to settle the matter through discussions with them.

The university student affairs advisor Rashed Talukder, Muktizuddher Chetana

and Muktibuddhi Charchay Oikyabaddha Shikkhak Parishad, a left-leaning teachers' forum, president Akhtarul Islam, professor Rez-i Karim Khandaker and professor Zakir Hossain, among others, attended the press conference.

A section of pro-Awami League teachers under the banner of Muktizuddher Chetana Udbuddha Shikkhak Parishad, a forum of the university teachers inspired with the spirit of the liberation war, have been staging protests on the campus since April 13 demanding the removal of the VC on allegations of various irregularities, nepotism and misbehaviors with their fellows.

Thirty five senior teachers, including popular academic and author Muhammad Zafar Iqbal, had also resigned on April 20 from 37 administrative posts expressing 'no-confidence' in Aminul Haque to press home the demand for his withdrawal.

MUSP convener Syed Shamsul Alam claimed that they would not retreat from their movement against the incumbent vice-chancellor until his removal from the institution.