

SUST ADMISSION TESTS Anti-VC teachers boycott

Buet student jailed for giving proxy

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A mobile court jailed a student of the Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (Buet) because he impersonated a candidate during the admission test at the Shahjalal University of Science and Technology (Sust) on Saturday.

Mohammad Nasir Hossain is a second-year student of civil engineering at Buet, said Sust Proctor Mohammad Quamruzzaman. An invigilator caught him while he was taking the test under the name of Torikuzzaman Rony, a student of Ananda Mohan College in Mymensingh, he said.

An executive magistrate sentenced him under the Public Examinations (Offences) Act 1980, he added.

A total of 41,285 candidates vie for 1,448 places in 26 departments at the university this year. The admission tests were held on Saturday under two units -- "K" and "Kha".

President of the admission test committee Prof Naraon Saha said 29 students competed for one place.

Meanwhile, a section of Sust teachers did not invigilate the admission test, demanding removal of Vice Chancellor Prof Amjnu Haque Bhuiyan.

Under the banner of "Mohan Muktijuddher Chetonay Udbuddho Shikkhak Brindo", the teachers staged months of protest accusing the VC of corruption and misconduct.

Convener of the teacher's panel, Prof Syed Shamsul Alam, claimed that 135 teachers stayed away from invigilation.

However, their boycott did not hamper the admission tests. Sust has around 400 teachers.

Naraon Saha said the admission test results might be published today, and details would be available at www.sust.edu/admission.