

Students now waiting for authorities' decision to reopen DU

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General students of Dhaka University (DU) are waiting for the authorities' decision to reopen the university which was closed since August 22.

As per the decision taken in the meeting on Monday between the Education Adviser and all the Vice-chancellors of 27 public universities, the university authorities are now free to reopen their respective universities at any time, meeting sources said. But the problem is lying with the point whether it is favourable time to reopen.

It was for the first time the public universities faced unscheduled

closure after the interim government took over on January 11 last. After then the academic activities of the university ran without break as the government has imposed ban all sorts of political activities.

At the meeting, the Education Adviser Ayub Quadri told the VCs of the public universities that after examining the overall situation they could reopen their universities and for which they would need to hold syndicate meetings.

"The government has no objection now to reopening the public universities. I told the Vice-chancellors of all the public uni- (See Page 15 Col. 7)

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versities that the Syndicates have to decide when the universities would be reopened by reviewing the prevailing situation on the campus." Education Adviser Ayub Quadri told the Vice-chancellors of 27 public universities at the meeting on Monday.

"The authorities of the universities would need to begin admission process very soon as the results of Higher Secondary Certificate examinations were published on August 26," hoped a university admission seeker.

However, Vice-chancellor of Dhaka University Prof. SMA Falz said that DU Syndicate would meet soon to take decision on the reopening of the university, he said adding "I would try to reopen the university at the shortest possible of time after reviewing the overall situation," he said.

Meanwhile, some teachers and students are fearing recurrence of incidents in the universities with their reopening immediately as some teachers and students were arrested by the law enforcers for the recent incidents in the universities.

Panic gripped the students and teachers of the Dhaka University over mass cases filed with different police stations in the city, accusing about 76,000 persons targeting the university and college students in connection with the violence that took place on the Dhaka University campus.

According to sources, law enforcers have already arrested at least 39 persons including 11 students, two Professors of DU, the President of JCD and a JCD DU hall unit President.

Tensions also gripped the teachers and students of Rajshahi, Jahangirnagar, Jagannath and Sher-e-Bangla Agriculture universities where the violent students protest also broke out.

ment steps that caused lack of business confidence in the coun- reports UNB. Adviser Dr Fahruddin Chief General

2 DU teachers sent to jail

A Dhaka court Tuesday ordered Dhaka University professors Anwar Hossain and Harun-or-Rashid into jail after eight days' remand in two phases, reports bdnews24.com.

They were produced before the Dhaka Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's Court at 4pm Tuesday. The investigating officer of the case did not seek further remand for them and appealed to court to send them to jail.

Metropolitan magistrate Md Hasan Sarwar did not consider bail petitions for them, as the case was under emergency powers rules.

A separate appeal was made for proper medical treatment and division for the teachers in jail. The magistrate ordered the jail (See Page 15 Col. 6)

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authorities to take steps in line with the jail code.

Their lawyer Advocate Syed Rezaur Rahman in the hearing on the appeal for treatment and jail division said both teachers were suffering from diabetes and high blood pressure.

After a 20-minute hearing, the magistrate read out his order. When the lawyers wanted to know whether there was any appeal for showing the accused persons arrested in any other case, the magistrate said he does not know anything about it.

On the same issue, court inspector MA Haque said he did not know anything about it.

In the remand return report, it was said that important information was extracted from the two teachers, which has been kept secret for the interest of the investigation.

Later, with the court's permission, lawyers Syed Rezaur Rahman, Shahara Khatun, Abul Kalam Azad, Ferozur Rahman Monir, Abdullah Abu, Ruhul Quddus Babu and the teachers' wives Ayesha Anwar and Nargis Akter spoke to the accused on the case in the courtroom.

The two teachers were arrested at their homes on the Dhaka University campus on Aug 23.