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Govt plans to amend Private Varsity Act

The government is considering amending the Private University Act and also to form Accreditation Council for improving the quality of education in the booming private universities in the country, reports UNB.

Education, Primary and Mass Education and Cultural Affairs Advisor Ayub Quadri apprised President Professor Dr Iajuddin Ahmed of the plan during a meeting with him at Bangabhaban today (Wednesday).

The Advisor also sought "overall cooperation" from the President in this reform measure-seen as part of the caretaker government's restructuring drive in many sectors.

Stressing the need for improving overall standard of education, Dr Iajuddin said, "Qualitative education would have to be ensured at secondary and higher secondary levels for rearing efficient students."

The President also called upon all concerned to find out ways of reducing the disparity in education between rural and urban areas.

There are around 54 private universities operating in Bangladesh, mostly in capital Dhaka. There is question about the standard of education in many of those universities.