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DU team meets Shahabuddin

Arms recovery from campus urged

A 17-member delegation of teachers, Syndicate members, Provosts and student leaders of Dhaka University led by Vice-Chancellor Prof. M. Moniruzzaman Mia called on acting President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed at the President's Secretariat in Dhaka on Tuesday, reports BSS.

They demanded immediate recovery of illegal arms from the Dhaka University campus for restoration of a proper academic atmosphere.

They also said, the country should be completely free of illegal arms for the parliamentary polls to be free and fair.

The members of the delegation included Pro-Vice-Chancellor Dr. Wakil Ahmed, Proctor Kamrul

Ahsan Chowdhury, DUCSU General Secretary Khairul Kabir Khokon and other APSU leaders.

They said illegal arms should be recovered also for ensuring peace and progress of the country. They demanded that the supply chain of such arms should be unearthed and those involved in it immediately apprehended and put on trial.

The student leaders pledged their full cooperation to the police in this regard.

The Acting President told the delegation that this Interim Government had already initiated a drive to mop up illegal arms and would welcome cooperation from all quarters for its success.

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Arms recovery

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Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed said his government was totally committed to holding free and fair elections.

He said security forces comprising armed police and ansars, or BDR along with police or ansars, would be deployed in each of the country's 24200 polling centres to ensure peace and order during the election.

Besides, mobile units comprising the Armed Forces or BDR would be stationed at convenient points in each upazila under a first class magistrate to intervene wherever any untoward incident beyond the control of normal security units arises.

The Acting President said trial of the accused persons would follow the completion of investigation and submission of charge sheets.

He said his Interim Government was neutral for all sections of the people.

The Acting President said the world would witness that a free and fair election was going to be held this time in Bangladesh. No party is barred from participation in its, he added.