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## Question leak: NU postpones exams again

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The authorities of National University (NU) last night postponed again the English comprehensive examinations of the honours part-2 course for the bachelor's degree scheduled for today and tomorrow, following a leak of question papers.

The examinations had been held once before on November 11 just to be cancelled later following a previous question paper leak.

A news release issued by NU last night said, "The 2nd Year Honours English Examinations under the NU scheduled to be held on Saturday and Sunday have been postponed due to unavoidable circumstances. The next date of the said examinations will be

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announced later. Schedules of other examinations will remain unchanged."

Meanwhile, protesting against the repeated question papers leaks, thousands of students last night staged angry demonstrations in front of colleges in the capital and elsewhere in the country.

Earlier on January 2, the NU authorities suspended the controller of examinations Md Ibrahim following a leak of question papers. The authorities also blacklisted some university officials for their alleged involvement and formed a probe body.

Witnesses said several thousand students thronged the photocopy shops in the city last night to collect the copies of question papers with answer sheets. The photocopy shop owners sold the leaked questions and answer sheets between Tk 100 and 1000.

Following the question paper leak, the NU authorities held an emergency meeting and postponed the examinations.

Prof Rashidul Hassan, Vice-Chancellor of the NU, last night said, "We have decided to postpone the examinations soon after we came to know the matter."

"We did not take any risk as the question papers were leaked earlier also", he said, adding, "We will investigate the matter and take action against those involved."

Our staff correspondent from Rajshahi adds: Police last night arrested four people, including two students, at a photocopy shop in the city.

The arrestees are shop owner Faruk Ahmed and his employee Abul Khair, students Ripon Ali and Entaj.

Acting on a tip-off, Boalia police raided the shop at around 8:00pm and arrested the four with leaked question papers.