

210 DU fake students won't be able to prove their innocence: Pro VC

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The students of Dhaka University (DU) who have already identified as fake by the fact-finding committee would not be able to prove their 'innocence' as the committee is confident about its findings, said DU Pro-Vice-chancellor Prof. AFM Yusuf Haider.

Prof. Haider also the head of the committee said the committee had so far submitted 11 reports about the admission forgery. The Syndicate has cancelled the admission of 210 students under different faculties and institutes so far, he said.

He said that investigation process in this regard is going on. The authorities had appointed two Attorneys' Barrister Halim Chaklader and Dr. Noyem Ahmed to oversee the legal issues, he said. The committee had submitted a set of recommendations to the deans and directors of different faculties and institutes in this regard, he added.

The fact-finding committee on admission forgery of DU had cancelled the admissions of 210 students, earlier identified as fake by the committee, who get enrolled at the university through fraudulent means.

Of the total 210 fake students, 92 students of the Department of International Relations (IR), 69 of Public Administration, 25 of Economics, 9 of Political Science, 7 of Management Studies, 4 of the Institute of Social Welfare and Research, 3 each of Mathematics and Applied Chemistry, 2 each of Geography and Environment and Botany, one each of Library and Information Science and Chemistry.

However, a total of 67 students who were identified as fake, had filed 56 writ petitions with the High Court (HC) challenging their admission in the university as legal. They regularly attending classes and taking part examinations.

Of the total 67, 42 students filed 38 writs from the Department of International Relations (IR), 19 students filed 12 writs from Public Administration, 4 students filed 4 writs from Economics and 2 students filed 2 writs from the Institute of Social Welfare and Research.

The committee also found five university officials and eight outsiders for their involvement in the admission forgery process.

DU chief security officer Kamrul Ahsan filed a FIR with the Shahbagh police station on October 6 last year against five university officials and eight outsiders for their alleged involvement in the forgery process.

The accused officials are Deputy Registrar (Education-2) AKM Mozammel Haque, International Relations (IR) Department official Abul Hossain, chief assistant of admission section BM Aninul Islam, Economics department chief assistant Bimol Chandra Das, and Public Administration department chief assistant Md Yunus.

The probe committee was formed on October 10, 2006 in the wake of allegations of inconsistencies in admission papers of 11 students of 2004-2005 session of the Department of Public Administration.