

Students demand election DUCSU polls not held in 18 yrs

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The Dhaka University (DU) authorities have not yet taken any initiative for holding the election to the Dhaka University Central Students' Union (DUCSU), which is lying suspended for 18 years. Teachers and students of the

university firmly believed that holding DUCSU election will help create a democratic educational atmosphere on the campus. They said that it is right time for rejuvenating the DUCSU to make new
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leadership.

They claimed that keeping DUCSU inactive for a long time has led to a complicated situation on the campus.

Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) General Secretary Shafiul Bari Babu said that holding DUCSU polls was a long-felt demand of the teachers and students. He said the election must be held without further a delay.

BCL DU unit president Sheikh Sohail Rana Tipu said the process to hold the DUCSU election should start now. No one would criticize the students for doing politics if the DUCSU is active.

General Secretary of DU Teachers' Association (DUTA) Prof. Anwar Hossain said " DUCSU is the only body to realise all the rights of the students." He recalled the role of DUCSU during the Language Movement, Liberation War and anti-autocracy movement.

It is not however possible to hold the DUCSU election when a state of emergency in the country, is in force he further said. He urged the DU authorities to take initiative for holding the election and raise demands for lifting of the state of emergency.

The last election (6th election) of DUCSU was held on July 6, 1990. The activities of DUCSU were formally postponed on May 28, 1998.