

DU loses academic character without DUCSU polls

Leaders of Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL), student wing of ruling Awami League on Monday demanded the election of Dhaka University Central Students Union (DUCSU) as the country's premier campus loses traditional academic character in absence of it, reports BSS.

They made this demand while addressing a demonstration programme pressing for DUCSU election on the campus.

"It appears that the Dhaka University loses its traditional academic character in ab-

sence of the central students union," said President of BCL Mahmud Hasan Ripon.

He said, "Students are frequently facing different problems, which could have been resolved with a vibrant DUCSU as students unions are supposed to be the most effective academic forum of any university across the world".

"The absence of DUCSU has contributed to the rise of unhealthy student politics in the past two decades when muscles instead of intellect dominated the campus," he added.

Ripon recalled that the DUCSU in the past had also played a crucial and glorious political role at the time of national transitions like the 1971 Liberation War. Now, in different political scenario it could play an effective role in shaping the campus atmosphere befitting for the university, once known as the Oxford of the East, he added.

BCL General Secretary Mahfuzul Haider Chowdhury Roton said, a central student union or the hall student unions are also needed for the healthy entertainment
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practices and cultural activities on the campus, as Dhaka University remained deprived for it for the past two decades.

The BCL leaders also urged the present university authority to take proper initiatives to hold the DUCSU polls as soon possible.

Among others, BCL DU unit President Sheikh Sohel Rana Tapu and general secretary Sajjad Sakib Badsha addressed the function.