

Tapan Saha appointed new proctor of JU

Teachers demand punishment of Arzu

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PROFESSOR Tapan Kumar Saha was on Tuesday appointed as the new proctor of Jahangirnagar University, said a press release signed by register Abu Bakar Siddique.

He succeeds professor Arzu Miah, who had to step down as the proctor in the face of continuing demonstrations by teachers and students in protest against his failure to take action against those responsible for the death of Zubair Ahmed, a student of English Literature.

Zubair died on January 9 following torture by fellow Chhatra League activists during recent clashes between two rival groups of the student front of ruling Awami League.

The teachers have also been demanding punishment of Azju Miah under the university's rules of discipline for assaulting the president of the university teachers' association, AA Mamun.

Saha, a professor of chemistry, was the provost of Jahanara Imam Hall of the university until he was picked up for appointment as the next proctor of JU.

On Tuesday morning the teachers of the university held a demonstration before the administrative building demanding punishment of Arzu Miah and the resignation of the proctorial body.

The teachers joined the demonstration under the banner of 'Sikkhak Samaj' to continue with their protest against assault of the JU Teachers' Association president.

In continued agitations on the campus, the students of the university also held demonstrations under the banner of 'Jahangirnagar Against Terrorism'.

The students said that they would continue their protests against violence on the campus until all their demands were met.

The teachers and students of the Department of English took out a silent procession demanding a judicial investigation into the killing of Zubair, a fourth-year student of the department and exemplarily punishment to the offenders in accordance with the law of the land.