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BUET protests on

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TEACHERS, students and employees of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology, rallying for the removal of the vice-chancellor and the pro-vice-chancellor, continued their protests on Sunday.

The demonstrators staged a sit-in in front of the council building between 11:00am and 1:00pm and brought out a silent procession pushing for their demand for the removal of the vice-chancellor, SM Nazrul Islam, and the pro-vice-chancellor, Habibur Rahman.

The BUET Teachers' Association general secretary,

Ashraful Islam, said that they would continue their movement until their demand was met.

He said that the association would review the situation on July 30 and decide their next course of action.

He said that their movement was not meant to embarrass the government or against the government; it was, rather, against irregularities of the vice-chancellor and the pro-vice-chancellor.

BUET teachers rallying for the removal of the two top officials of the university on Saturday postponed their decision on en masse resignation.

BUET teachers on July

16 had decided to resign en masse on July 22 if their demand was not met by 4:00pm on the day.

They threatened the move hours after the education minister, Nurul Islam Nahid, met some BUET alumni and some of the 25 teachers, who had resigned on July 11 in protest against the vice-chancellor's closing the university for 44 days.

BUET teachers, students and employees resumed their protest programmes on Saturday.

The protesters began the sit-in on July 11 pushing for the removal of the vice-chancellor and the pro-vice-

chancellor after the authorities on the night of July 10 closed the university.

The same day, all the five deans and heads of the 17 departments and directors of three institutes under the university resigned.

The teachers, who also in April 8-May 5 rallied against the administration, pushing for removal of the two top officials, earlier levelled 16 allegations against the vice-chancellor and the pro-vice-chancellor, including 'illegal appointment of the pro-vice-chancellor and a deputy registrar on political grounds and, corruption and irregularities.'