

## DU teachers students call strike for Apr 25

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DHAKA University teachers and students called a strike for April 25 demanding an unconditional release of bloggers arrested on charge of 'hurting religious sentiments' of the Muslims with online derogatory remarks on Islam.

The protesters announced the programme at a press conference at the university's central students' union building on Wednesday.

They will go on demonstrations at Aparajeya Bangla and hoist black flags there today and on April 24 to drum up support for the strike. They will bring out a torch procession this evening.

The Detective Branch arrested bloggers Moshir

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Rahman Biplob, Russell Parvez and Subrata Adhikari Shubho, also a DU Bangla department student, on April 2 and Asif Mohiuddin the next day.

The protesters at the press conference condemned the government for arresting the online activists in line with the alleged 'negotiations' between the government and a certain fanatic party.

The university's Bangla department teacher Rafiqulah Khan said that the university administration had assured them of taking steps by April 15 for the release of the bloggers but nothing had happened.

They earlier laid siege to the vice-chancellor's office on April 13 when the vice-chancellor, AAMS Arefin Siddique, and the proctor, Amzad Ali, assured them of taking necessary steps in this regard.