

## Polytech teachers' work abstention Jan 5-10

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TWO organisations of the teachers of polytechnic institutes on Wednesday announced work abstention from January 5 to 10 in demand for implementation of the recommendations of a government committee.

Leaders of the Bangladesh Polytechnic Teachers' Association and Bangladesh Polytechnic Teachers Council announced the programme at a joint press conference at the Dhaka Reporters Unity in the city.

Bangladesh Polytechnic Teachers Council president Farik Mohammad Abdul Mannan read out a written statement at the press conference. Bangladesh Polytechnic Teachers Association president M Idris Ali and secretaries general of the two organisations Tarun Kumar Nath and Nirmal Chandra Nath were present.

Abdul Mannan said they began their movement on January 8 in 2012 to implement their eight-point demand to save the country's polytechnic institutes.

The demands include recruitment in 50 to 70 per cent vacant posts in 46 polytechnic and three monotechnic institutes and introduction of science-based designation for polytechnic teachers.

Abdul Mannan said they suspended their last year's movement following formation of a five-member committee by the government on May 27 to look into their problems.

The committee submitted its recommendations on July 5, 2012, but those are yet to be implemented, he added.