

DEMAND FOR VAT-FREE EDUCATION Pvt university students to go to PMO today

CITY DESK

Private university students will demonstrate before the Prime Minister's Office in the capital today demanding withdrawal of 7.5 percent VAT (value added tax), which is set to be charged on their education from this current fiscal year.

Students of State University, University of Liberal Arts Bangladesh, and East West University under the banner of "No VAT on Education" yesterday organised a press conference at Dhaka University's Madhur Canteen to make the announcement.

Meanwhile, at an International Youth Day programme at Bangla Academy, Dr Iftekharuzzaman, executive director of Transparency International Bangladesh, said, "The decision of imposing tax without discussing with the stakeholders is illogical." In Chittagong city, students of Premier University, East Delta University, BGC Trust University, and USTC Medical College formed a human chain at Prabartak intersection to realise their demand.