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DEMAND FOR SEPARATE PAYSCALE Public univ teachers strike for 3 hours for second day

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Teachers abstained from work for three hours at Chittagong University and Sylhet Agricultural University yesterday protesting the proposed eighth national payscale and demanding a separate one for them.

It was a part of the nationwide work stoppage on every Sunday throughout this month, which was declared by the Federation of Bangladesh University Teachers' Association on August 11.

They also demanded that the government equalise the salaries, benefits and status between university teachers and bureaucrats.

Equality should be brought between professors in selection grade and senior secretaries, and between professors and secretaries, they said, adding that the university teachers have to be included in the warrant of precedence.

Our CU correspondent reports, Chittagong University Teachers Association demonstrated on the campus to press the demands.

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CuTA leaders threatened to hold tougher movements if their demands were not met immediately.

Our Moulvibazar correspondent adds, Sylhet Agricultural University Teachers Association abstained from work between 10:00am and 1:00pm. No class was held during the time. Terming the proposed payscale "discriminatory and disgraceful", the association demanded its immediate revision.