

# Absence of DUCSU leads to problems on campus

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In the absence of the Dhaka University Central Students' Union (DUCSU), instability is prevailing now on the Dhaka University campus.

The absence of the university students' union has caused a complicated situation on the campus, said DU Proctor AK Firoz. Many problems have been created due to non functioning of DUCSU, he further said. "There is no alternative to DUCSU."

Sharing the same view, most of the teachers and students of the

university stressing the need of the time to activate DUCSU. They said that the importance of DUCSU has now become a vocal issue to address growing problems in the university.

However, Bangladesh Chhatra League (BCL), student front of Awami League (AL), Bangladesh Chhatra Union (BCU) and some other left-leaning students organisations urged the university authorities to convene an immediate meeting of the universities' 'Paribesh Parishad' with a view to monitoring overall campus situa-

tion in the absence of active DUCSU.

The BCL said, that a vested quarter is trying to mislead a demonstration by common students to tarnish the spirit of liberation war and dishonour the sacrifice of freedom fighters.

They met the DU Vice-chancellor and requested to call a meeting of the 'Paribesh Parishad' to identify the anti-liberation forces and oust them from the campus. But the university

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authorities have yet to take any effective step in this regard.

Tension is heightening on the DU campus as the student bodies are divided over the much-talked about the quota issue. Teachers and students apprehended that any untoward incident might occur in the campus anytime.

At least three violent incidents took place in the last week on the campus. It was caused by a confronting stand between the pro-quota and anti-quota demonstrators over the involvement of Shibir in the anti-quota movement.

Last week, the activists of progressive students' bodies led by Bangladesh Chhatra Union (BCU) attacked on them when 'Chhatra Mukti', student wing of Hizb ut-Tahrir, was circulating a leaflet voicing against the reservation of the quota in BCS exam. It left at least five students injured.

The agitating students demonstrating for cancellation of the quota system in BCS exams gave the government an ultimatum fixing February 14 to cancel it. They also announced a series of agitation programmes. On the other hand, the other students' bodies continuing their movement against their demonstration as they thought that the demonstration instigated by Shibir men.

Meanwhile, the DU authorities at a Provost Committee Meeting held recently directed the hall provosts to keep alert. Additional police have been deployed in different points on the campus, to avert any untoward incident.

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