

VCs asked to solve campus problems: Nahid

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THE vice chancellors of all public universities have been directed to immediately solve the problems on their campuses, education minister Nurul Islam Nahid said on Wednesday.

The VCs have been asked to take immediate steps so that such incidents do not take place again, he said replying to a question about the recent attacks by Chhatra League on JCD on the campuses of Dhaka and Rajshahi universities.

The education minister was speaking at a news briefing at his office after a three-hour close-door meeting he had with the vice chancellors.

University Grants Commission Chairman AK Azad Chowdhury, 32 out of 34 vice chancellors of public universities and education secretary Kamal Abdul Naser Chowdhury attended the meeting.

The vice chancellor of

Jessore University of Science and Technology could not attend the meeting while Hajee Mohammad Danesh Science, and Technology University does not have a VC at the moment.

Nahid said the government had been trying to stop recurrence of the incidents which took place during the tenure of previous governments and expressed the hope that the problems on the campuses would be solved soon.

The VCs told us that they would take steps against them (BCL activists) and we will monitor what measures they take in this regard,' he said.

He said that big problems facing Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology and Jahangirnagar University had already been solved and proper academic atmosphere returned there.

He described his meeting with the VCs as a routine exercise to discuss the overall issues of the public universities and their problems.