

CRISIS AT JU

## VC wants to sit with chancellor

*Claims clarification required on whether president wants Senate election or nomination of three for VC post*

JU CORRESPONDENT

The JU VC will soon meet the chancellor to get a clear idea on whether he had directed holding an election to the Senate or a senate meeting to nominate three persons for the VC post.

Kamrul Ahsan, member secretary of Shadharon Shikkhak Forum, informed this to The Daily Star yesterday after he and other agitating teachers met VC Prof Anwar Hossain demanding immediate initiation of the nomination process.

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The vice-chancellor (VC) earlier said Chancellor and President Abdul Hamid issued four directives through a fax dated November 6 to end the stalemate at Jahangirnagar University (JU).

He said the directives include arranging the elections to JU's bodies, including the senate so that it can later nominate the three from whom the chancellor would appoint one as the VC.

It was also on stopping the agitation, withdrawing a writ petition the VC filed against the agitators, and starting academic and administrative activities and the admission process, he said.

Earlier yesterday, Prof Anwar cancelled an October 9 syndicate meeting and its decision to form a body to investigate the foiling of an agitation programme by

BCL men that day, informed Syndicate Member Prof Kamrul Ahsan Titu.

Addressing a syndicate meeting, he stated that he would formally apologise to the syndicate members for holding the October 9 meeting without all of them, added Prof Kamrul.

The VC could not be reached for comment.

JU Teachers' Association, teachers from which later formed Shadharon Shikkhak Forum, has been staging demonstrations intermittently since February 13 demanding the VC's resignation.

They accused him of failing to expel a BCL leader for assaulting a teacher, committing irregularities in teachers' recruitment, spoiling teacher-student relations and misusing university funds.