

DINAJPUR GOVT COLLEGE

Honours examinees allege taking of excessive fees

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The honours final year examinees from Dinajpur Government College have alleged charging of excessive fees to fill up the form for the examinations under National University.

The form filling started on May 12 and will continue till May 25 for around 3,300 final year examinees under 16 honours departments of the college.

Students said other colleges under National University are charging less than their college.

"Dhaka College charges Tk 3,100 and Carmichael College in Rangpur Tk 3,800 as honours final examination fees, whereas our college is forcing us to pay Tk 4,815 for the purpose," said

Anwar Hossain, a student of political science of Dinajpur Government College.

This correspondent obtained a copy of the money receipt that showed that the aforesaid money is being realised under 24 categories from 'examination fees' to 'miscellaneous'.

Dhaka College and Carmichael College have bus services for the students.

Although Dinajpur Government College does not have such service, the college authorities are charging transportation fees from the students.

Annual sports fee is realised, but no such sports was arranged in last four years, alleged the students.

"It's really a burden, especially for students from middle income families, to

pay the huge amount," said Namal Chandra Roy of history department.

Hailing from Biral upazila of Dinajpur, he stays at a rented dormitory to study at Dinajpur Government College.

Several times the students urged the principal to reduce the fees.

Md Abu Bakkar Siddique, principal of Dinajpur Government College, said, "We are charging less than other colleges. We take both the admission fees and fees for filling up the examination forms together and that is why, the amount seems bigger to the students."

He, however, did not explain why examination fees are taken before the honours final examinations.