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JnU celebrates founding anniversary

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JAGANNATH University authorities on Tuesday celebrated JnU Day marking its tenth founding anniversary amid great enthusiasm and festivity.

The daylong celebration included hoisting of the national and university flags, holding a colourful procession, a discussion programme, a cultural event and a drama.

Students, teachers, officials and staffs from different departments gathered on the campus with respective processions in the early morning.

University Grants Commission chairman, Abdul Mannan, launched the programmes by hoisting the national flag and flying pigeons and balloons on the campus around 9:00am.

After that, a joint colourful procession, led by JnU

vice-chancellor, Mijanur Rahman, was brought out on the campus.

The rally paraded the Ray Shahib Bazar intersection and the Victoria Park in Old Dhaka.

Later, a discussion programme was organised at the university science faculty ground on the campus.

Addressing as chief guest, education minister Nurul Islam Nahid said that effective steps would be gradually taken for solving residential and classroom problems of the university.

The minister unveiled a special supplement of the university marking its tenth founding anniversary.

Among others, former JnU VC Sirajul Islam Khan, Mesbahuddin Ahmed, JnU treasurer Md Salim Bhuiyan, JnU VC Mijanur Rahman, and registrar Md Ohiuzzaman were present at

the discussion programme.

Students and teachers of music and drama department of the university staged a drama marking the day.

Ten years ago, the then government declared the then Jagannath College a full-fledged university after the Jagannath University Act had been approved by the parliament on September 27, 2005.

Dhaka University microbiology department professor Sirajul Islam Khan joined Jagannath University as its first vice-chancellor on February 8, 2006.

The university started its academic activities with four faculties, 20 departments, 30,000 students, 280 teachers and around 40-50 officials and staffs on the campus on around 7.5 acres of land.

The university has so far produced more than 30,000 graduates.