

Pro-AL Blue Panel sweeps DUTA polls

The Pro-Awami League Blue panel, supported by left leaning Pink panel, swept the Dhaka University Teachers' Association (DUTA) polls, securing majority posts including president, general
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secretary and treasurer, reports BDNNews.

Apart from the three key posts, the Blue won five executive member posts. The panel captured eight out of total 15 posts.

The vice president, joint secretary and five member posts were won by BNP-Jamaat backed White panel.

The DUTA election for the year 2006 was held at DU Teachers Club Wednesday.

Out of 1,500 teacher voters, 1,106 votes were cast.

Prof Sharifullah Bhuiyan (556 votes) of History department was elected president defeating Prof Sadrul Amin (528 votes), dean of Arts Faculty.

Prof Mohammad Akhtaruz-zaman (558-votes), who is also incumbent general secretary, was re-elected general secretary defeating Prof Zahidul Islam (516), provost of Zahurul Huq Hall and chairman of Anthropology department.

Prof Ashraf Uddin Chowdhury (559) has been elected treasurer. He beat Prof ABM Shahidul Islam (498).

Prof Tazmeri SA Islam (556) and Dr Mamun Ahmed were elected vice president and joint secretary respectively.

The five elected executive members from Blue panel are: Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique (587), Prof RIM Aminur Rashid (597), Prof AZM Nousher Ali Khan (522), Prof Rafiqunnabi (544) and Prof Sadeka Halim (532) from Blue panel.

Prof Abu Ahmed (612), Prof Jamaluddin Ahmed (537), Prof Muhammad Shahjahan Miah (528), Prof Mohammad Sirajul Islam (577) and Prof Syed Saloheen Qadri (588) were the elected executive members from the White Panel.

The new committee will take over on January 1, 2006.

After the formal announcement of the polls result, DUTA president-elect, Prof Sharifullah Bhuiyan said: We will work together for the sake of the university teachers and students.

Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique, the outgoing president told journalists that they had tried to uphold the image of the university and the result of the polls was its outcome.

"Now we will try to ensure accountability in the university administration," he added.