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## Remove partisan people from edn sector

*Non-govt teachers urge caretaker govt*

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Teachers of non-government high schools, colleges and madrasas yesterday urged the chief adviser of the caretaker government to immediately remove partisan people from the education sector.

National Front of Teachers and Employees (NFTE), a platform of eleven teachers' and employees' organisations, in a statement asked the removal of partisan people from the education ministry, Shikha Bhaban, National Curriculum and Textbook Board (NCTB), Bangladesh National University, Open University and managing bodies of schools and colleges.

They claimed pro-BNP and pro-Jamaat officials still make their presence felt in the education sector.

The NFTE said former education minister Osman Farruk and state minister Ehsanul Haq Milon introduced January 19 as the National Teachers' Day since it was the birthday of Ziaur Rahman, the founder of BNP.

The statement, signed by NFTE Chief Coordinator and Convenor Quazi Farruque, also said Bangladesh Television (BTV) yesterday telecast a programme marking the "controversial teachers' day" where pro-BNP and

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pro-Jamaat officials praised the immediate past BNP-led four-party alliance government.

They said the National Teachers' Day should be a day to commemorate educationists like Dr Kudrat-e-Khuda, Dr Muhammad Shahidullah, Satyen Basu and Principal Ibrahim Kha.