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UGC orders shutdown of unauthorised local, foreign univ campuses

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The University Grants Commission of Bangladesh on Monday directed all unauthorised branch campuses and study centres of both domestic and foreign universities operating in the country to immediately suspend their academic activities.

The directive was issued by the UGC's International Collaboration Department through an official order.



In the order, the institutions have been asked to apply for approval to the commission by April 25.

According to the UGC, it has observed with deep concern that a number of institutions are running branch campuses, study centres and tutorial services without obtaining the required approval from the government and the commission. Authorities have already compiled a list of the unauthorised institutions.

The order refers to the Regulations for the Operation of Foreign University Branch or Study Centres 2014, which outlines the legal framework for operating such entities in Bangladesh.

Under clause (i) of section 4(3) of these regulations, all unauthorised institutions must apply for approval by the April 25 deadline to regularise their status.

The notice stated that all academic operations of these institutions must remain suspended until the approval process was completed.

Failure to comply with the directive will result in legal action against the institutions continuing activities without authorisation.

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