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JSTU gets new VC, JU gets pro-VCs

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Professor Md Amir Hossain | Collected photo

The education ministry on Saturday appointed Bangladesh Agricultural University Professor Md Amir Hossain as the new vice-chancellor to Jamalpur Science and Technology University.

Professor Amir Hossain's appointment to Jamalpur Science and Technology University came just 23 days after another professor, Mohammad Amir Hossain Bhuiyan had been made the university's vice-chancellor on May 14.



Immediately before his appointment as the university's vice-chancellor, Professor Mohammad Amir Hossain Bhuiyan was teaching at the environmental science department of Jahangirnagar University.

On Saturday, the education ministry also appointed two new pro-vice-chancellors at Jahangirnagar University, relieving the current officeholders of their responsibilities.

Same day Jahangirnagar University's biochemistry and molecular biology Professor Borhan Uddin was named as the new treasurer of Dhaka Central University, the newly established university merging seven colleges previously under Dhaka University.

The Secondary and Higher Education Division under the education ministry issued separate circulars regarding the appointments on Saturday.

All the four new appointees are leaders of the ruling Bangladesh Nationalist Party-aligned Nationalist Teachers' Forum of the respective universities.

One of the Saturday circulars read that following the approval of the president and the chancellor and Jamalpur Science and Technology University Act 2017

(amended 2025), Professor Md Amir Hossain of genetics and plant breeding department of Bangladesh Agricultural University was appointed as its vice-chancellor.

His appointment will be effective for the next four years from the day of his joining, according to the circular that also said his salary, other benefit and facilities would be as per the rules.

According to sources, he is involved with the Nationalist Teachers' Forum at Bangladesh Agricultural University.

Another circular read that the ministry gave approval to Professor Amir Hossain Bhuiyan to join his original post at Jahangirnagar University.

Professor Amir Hossain Bhuiyan, however, is being investigated by Jahangirnagar University authorities over allegations of involvement with plagiarism and 'women-linked' issues.

Professor Borhan Uddin, also from Jahangirnagar University, has been named as the treasurer of Dhaka Central University for the next four years, as per another circular.

He is currently one of the joint general secretaries of JU Nationalist Teachers' Forum.

New Age correspondent at Jahangirnagar University reports that mathematics professor at the university Nazrul Islam was appointed pro-vice-chancellor for administrative affairs, while Professor Shamsul Alam of the government and politics department was named as the pro-vice-chancellor for academic affairs, both for four years.

Professor Shamsul Alam is the current president of Jahangirnagar University unit of the Nationalist Teachers' Forum and Professor Nazrul Islam is its organising secretary.

The ministry also approved the return of the outgoing pro-vice-chancellors to academic duties.

Former pro-vice-chancellor Professor Sohel Ahmed will re-join the biochemistry and molecular biology department and Professor M Mahfuzur Rahman will return to the botany department.

Earlier on May 14, the education ministry appointed new vice-chancellors to 11 public universities, including Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology, Islamic University, and Comilla University.

The education ministry in March and April appointed new vice-chancellors to eight public universities, including Dhaka University, Chittagong University and Rajshahi University.

Many senior officials at 45 of the 55 public universities remained absent from their offices following the ouster of the Awami League regime, according to the government.

Resignations of the vice-chancellors and other senior officials began as students at different universities gave them ultimatums to do so on allegations of aiding the deposed AL regime and the police to suppress the uprising.

Later, the past interim government appointed vice-chancellors to these universities. The newly appointed vice-chancellors will replace them.

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