

Moral education can help curb militancy

IUB views-exchange meeting told

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Ensuring amicable relations between students and teachers and providing moral education can play an important part in keeping the students away from militancy, viewed guardians of private university students yesterday.

The guardians recommended the university authorities provide dormitory facilities to the students coming to the capital city from different parts of the country so that they can closely oversee them.

They made the recommendations at a views-exchange meeting held by Independent University, Bangladesh (IUB) on its campus in the capital's Bashundhara.

"Apart from offering routine courses, the teachers can also teach them moral education on militancy resistance. An academic course could be launched in this regard," opined Abdul Ali, a guardian, adding that

both teachers and students needed to maintain good ties between themselves.

IUB Vice Chancellor Prof M Omar Rahman said it was our responsibility to take care of the students, and the guardians, too, would have to come forward.

"Talk to your children every day and know about their studies and activities. You can also seek information from us if you want..." the VC urged the guardians.

Mentioning that their students are learning morality, he said the university already introduced a course on ethics and moral education.

Rahman mentioned that the authorities were now thinking of providing residence facilities to the students and would hold such meetings at least once every year.

Brig Gen (retd) Anwarul Islam, registrar of the university, said their faculty members were friendly to their students and that they took all the necessary security measures for them.