

UGC probe team visits NSU

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A probe committee of University Grants Commission (UGC) visited North South University yesterday to collect information about the latest situation at the university after involvement of some its former and current students surfaced in two deadly terror attacks in Dhaka and Kishoreganj.

The four-member committee comprising UGC members Prof Dil Afroza Begum and Prof M Shah Nowaz Ali; and two officials of private university unit Jesmin Parvin and Bishnu Mallick went to NSU campus in the capital's Baridhara as part of a follow-up of their earlier probe, said a commission official, wishing anonymity.

The committee talked to the university authorities on issues relating to the recent terror attack, he said. "The committee wanted to know about the measures the university has taken after the incident," he added. The committee also requested the university to give some information in written on the number of students enrolled every year and the irregular students, he said. NSU VC Prof Atiqul Islam informed the committee about the measures they have taken so far. The probe committee also visited the university's library where the UGC had found some books on radical ideologies last year.

At least two students, a former and a current, of the university were involved with deadly terror attacks at a restaurant in the capital's Gulshan on July 1 and the Eid congregation in Sholakia in Kishoreganj on July 7.

Talking to The Daily Star on Tuesday, UGC Chairman Prof Abdul Mannan said the committee will visit NSU as part of a follow-up of an investigation into the allegations of financial irregularities at the university in October last year.