

// DU to observe 'Black Day' on August 23

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THE University of Dhaka will observe 'Black Day' on August 23, in memory of what it said 'inhuman, sad and condemnable' attacks on its teachers, students and officials during August 20-23 in 2007, a DU release said on Wednesday.

The campus brutalities occurred during the army-backed caretaker government nine years ago.

In August 2007, a violent clash between some DU students and members of Bangladesh Army took place centring a football match, where the military members severely beat up a number of students. Following the clash, the army had also detained four teachers and eight students. The attacks sparked intense protests by the students against the army, across the country.

To mark the day, the faculty members, students and the officials of the university will wear black badges and that a discussion will be held at the Teachers and Students Center.

Vice-Chancellor AAMS Arefin Siddique will preside over the discussion, the release said.