

## 165 to get UGC's Prime Minister Gold Medal awards

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THE University Grants Commission has decided to award 165 meritorious students from public and private universities with the Prime Minister Gold Medal-2017 in recognition of their academic achievements.

The decision was taken at a steering committee meeting held at the UGC on Tuesday with its chairman Professor Abdul Mannan in the chair, said a press release.

The UGC chairman said that the gold medals will be awarded to 165 students — 163 from public and two from private universities — for securing the highest marks or CGPA in their respective faculties.

He also said that prime minister Sheikh Hasina is expected to hand over the gold medals among the recipients at a ceremony which will be held at a convenient time of the prime minister.

UGC members, Professor Mohammad Yousuf Ali Mollah, Professor Dil Afroza Begum, Professor Md Akhtar Hossain and Professor M Shah Nowaz Ali, and secretary Md Khaled were, among others, present at the meeting.

The Prime Minister Gold Medal was introduced in 2005 as an effort to encourage the talented students of the universities in the country.

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