

Professor Niaz Ahmed Khan set to be new DU VC

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Professor Niaz Ahmed Khan. | Collected photo.

Professor Niaz Ahmed Khan is set to be appointed as the new vice-chancellor of the University of Dhaka.

Although the interim government's official sources said that Niaz Ahmed would take the responsibility as the VC of the DU, the development studies department professor of the university, however, told New Age on Monday evening that he did not receive the information officially.



'I have had discussions with high-level government officials about this,' he said, adding, 'Until any notification, I cannot be certain.'

Currently, he is serving as the pro-vice-chancellor and acting vice-chancellor of the Independent University, Bangladesh.

Earlier on August 10, the then Dhaka University vice-chancellor Professor ASM Maksud Kamal resigned from his post.

At least 22 public university vice-chancellors stepped down after the ouster of the Sheikh Hasina-led government on August 5 amid a mass uprising led by students.

The 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 then ruling Awami League and the police to prevent students from continuing their protests.

Education adviser to the interim government Wahiduddin Mahmud said on August 21 that senior officials in 45 public universities out of total 55 ones had disappeared following the overthrow of the Hasina regime.