

Now teachers go on strike at Kuet

Boycott classes, demand punishment for those behind Feb 18 unrest



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No classes were held at Khulna University of Engineering and Technology (Kuet) yesterday despite its reopening after two and a half months of closure as teachers started class boycott for various demands.

Md Abdullah Elias Akhtar, director of students' welfare at Kuet, said, "Classes could not be held as the teachers' association is boycotting academic activities. The teachers remain firm in their decision. The vice-chancellor is holding a meeting with the teachers."



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Md Faruk Hossain, general secretary of the Kuet Teachers' Association, said, "We will not return to classes until justice is served against those responsible for the February 18 unrest and the assault on the vice-chancellor and other faculty members. We have already informed the newly-appointed acting VC of our stance."

The crisis began on February 18 following an attack on students on the campus. In the wake of the attack, students demanded the resignation of the VC, pro-VC, and the director of students' welfare.

The prolonged protests, including a hunger strike by students, eventually led to the removal of the VC and pro-VC by the education ministry.

On May 1, Prof Dr Md Hazrat Ali of the Civil Engineering Department at Chittagong University of Engineering and Technology was appointed as the acting VC.