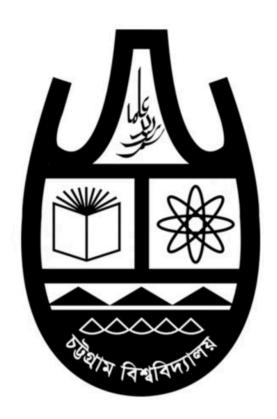
Deadline extended by a day for Cucsu form collection, submission

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74 forms collected on extended day; total reaches 1,162



Despite the deadline for collecting nomination forms for the Chittagong University Central Students' Union (Cucsu) election ending on Tuesday, the authorities extended it by a day, which ended yesterday.

At the same time, the submission deadline was also pushed back by a day and will now end today.

Prof Dr Ariful Haque Siddique, member secretary of the Cucsu Election Commission, confirmed the extension yesterday, saying it was made in response to students' requests.

"Students have spontaneously collected the nomination papers today [yesterday], and they will now be able to submit them tomorrow [today] between 9:30am and 5:00pm," he said.

Earlier, the CU unit of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal submitted an application seeking a two-day extension for collecting and submitting the forms yesterday, which was the previous deadline for submitting nomination papers.

On the extended final day, 40 students collected nomination forms for Cucsu, while 34 did so for the hall unions.

With this, a total of 1,162 forms have been collected so far -- 528 for Cucsu and 634 for the hall unions. Of them, 371 nomination papers have already been submitted.

Meanwhile, an independent full panel titled "Ahingso Shikkharthi Oikya" also collected nomination forms yesterday.

In total, 232 posts are up for contest -- 28 in Cucsu and 204 across 14 halls and one hostel.

The preliminary list of candidates will be published on September 21, and the final list will be announced on September 25.

The election will take place on October 12 from 9:00am to 4:00pm.