

# Primary school teachers start work abstention programme for indefinite period

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*Government primary school teachers gather on Central Shaheed Minar premises in Dhaka on Sunday protesting at the police attack on them. | New Age photo* [New Age Specials](#)

Government primary school teachers on Sunday started a work abstention programme for an indefinite period, protesting at the police attack on them.

Earlier over 100 government primary school teachers were injured as the police charged batons, hurled sound grenades and sprayed water on their procession demanding a pay hike in the capital's Shahbagh area on Saturday.

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Protesting at the police attack, the agitating teachers announced work abstention at all government primary schools across Bangladesh and sit-in at the Central Shaheed Minar in Dhaka for an indefinite period from Sunday.

The teachers, under the banner of Prathomik Shikkhok Dabi Bastabayan Parishad, began their sit-in at the Central Shaheed Minar on Sunday morning.

Teachers of different government primary schools across the capital were seen observing the strike since morning.

No classes were held at Nilkhet Government Primary School, Shaheed Buddhijibi Dr Amin Uddin Government Primary School, Khodeza Khatun Government Primary School, Dhanmondi 2no Girls Government Primary School and Sher-E-Bangla Government Primary School on the day.

A very few students were seen at the schools.

Though the teachers came to the schools they refused to take classes expressing solidarity with the protest.

The assistant teachers were staging the demonstration to press home their three demands, including upgradation of their pay scale to the 10th grade from 13th grade, ensuring 100 per cent departmental promotion, and resolving issues related to higher-grade eligibility after 10 and 16 years of service.