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Teachers urged to save campus from anarchy

Staff Reporter

Prof Abdul Mannan, Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University, has said only teachers can save the nation from the present anarchic situation and called upon them to carry out their duties devotedly.

He was addressing a meeting of the college principals at the university administrative building yesterday. The meeting was called with a view to peacefully holding the degree (hons) and masters preliminary examinations.

Prof. Mannan while addressing the meeting pointed to the issues causing anarchy in the campus. These include adopting unfair means in the examinations, session jams at the universities, private coaching by teachers and political parties' programmes that affect holding of classes and examinations.

Expressing his grave concern over increasing tendency of adopting unfair means in the examinations, the vice-chancellor called upon all concerned including teachers and guar-

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dians to find out a solution to the problem. He called upon them to identify it as one of the national problems.

Large-scale copying in the examinations was jeopardizing our existence as a civilised nation. A section of people in the guise of students and their promoters including some teachers are involved in this, Prof Mannan pointed out.

Terming the way of succeeding in the examinations through adopting unfair means as a self-destructive means, Prof Mannan called upon the authorities to take stern action against the persons involved. If necessary, he said, the persons involved should be socially boycotted.

Referring to private coaching by a section of teachers, he said that it was hampering their teaching in the classes and rendering the students disinterested in attending their classes.

He identified shifting of examination centres outside Dhaka by the students as a corrupt practice by them and added that this would be stopped soon.

Prof Mannan called upon the politicians to keep the examinations out of the purview of hartal programmes in order to help solve the session jam, the number one problem of the universities.