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Blue Panel sweeps DUTA election

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Blue Panel candidates won a landslide victory in the election of the Dhaka University Teachers Association (DUTA) held on Tuesday.

Pro-ruling party Blue Panel bagged 13 posts including that of President and General Secretary while opposition BNP backed "White Panel" got

only two posts including the post of joint secretary.

Prof. Mostafa Chowdhury of Political Science Department and Dr. Hossain Mansur of Geology Department were elected President and General Secretary respectively.

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Securing 427 and 418 votes. While White Panel presidential candidate Prof. A.B.M. Yusuf Haider of Physics Department got 385 votes and General Secretary candidate Dr. Nazrul Islam of Psychology Department bagged 394 votes.

Other office-bearers elected from the Blue Panel are: Vice-President- Dr. Aminur Rashid of Physics Department (448 votes), Treasurer-Prof. S.M. Mahfuzur Rahman of Finance and Banking Department (445 votes).

Executive committee mem-

bers elected from the Blue Panel are: Prof. Md. Shahdat Ali of Zoology Department (507 votes), Abdul Mannan Chowdhury of Management Department (461 votes), Abdul Hakim Sarkar of Social Welfare Department (404 votes), Prof. A.B.M. Mahmud of History Department (435 votes), S.M. Enamul Huq of Soil Science Department (427 votes), Mrs. Kazi Aforoze Jahan Ara of the Institute of Education and Research (421 votes), Prof. Mahatabuddin Ahmed of Chemistry Department (391 votes), Prof. Sayed Giasuddin Ahmed of Public Administration Department (408 votes).

Dr. A.K.M. Warasul Karim of Finance and Banking Department was elected joint Secretary from the White Panel securing 402 votes and Prof. Zinnatunnessa Tahmida of Botany Department (441 votes) was elected member of the DUTA executive committee from the same panel.

The election that began at 10 a.m. at the Dhaka University Club continued till 2 p.m. without any break. A total of 835 voters out of 1053 cast their votes in the election. After the announcement of the results of the election, the newly elected President of DUTA Prof. Mostafa Chowdhury talking to newsmen said the victory of the candidates belonging to the Blue Panel meant the victory of the pro-liberation forces. He said ensuring a terrorism-free campus would be the main objective of the newly elected executive committee.

Meanwhile, President of Bangladesh Chhatra League (S-P) Enamul Huq Shamim and General Secretary Ishaq Ali Khan Panna congratulated the Blue Panel candidates on their success in Tuesday's DUTA election.