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BUETTA demands removal of 15 resigning teachers

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The BUET Teachers' Association (BUETTA) yesterday demanded removal of the 15 teachers of the Architecture Department for what it said defying the decisions of the Syndicate and the Academic Council of the university and propagating fabricated stories against the teachers and the Academic Council.

The demand was made at a meeting of the BUETTA held on Monday with President of BUETTA Dr. Abdur Razzak Akhand in the chair, said a press release yesterday.

The 15 teachers had resigned protesting the new admission rules of the department. The crisis arising out of the new admission rules was however resolved and admission tests were held according the new rules after the Prime Minister and the Education Minister interfered. The fifteen teachers later withdrew their en masse resignation letter.

The BUETTA meeting also urged the university authorities to declare architects Majharul Islam and Rabiul Hossain and Iqbal *persona non grata* on the BUET campus for their "interference" in the academic activities.

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The BUETTA expressed concern over the incidents of alleged threat on life of some BUET teachers over telephone. The meeting said that Majharul Islam, Rabiul Hossain, Iqbal and the fifteen teachers would be responsible if the security of the BUET teachers was threatened in any way.

The meeting also resolved that BUET teachers would resist any attempt to set up an Architecture Institute under BUET. "The teachers, however, do not have any objection in setting up an independent Architecture Institute," the press release added.

The BUETTA also demanded withdrawal of a circular issued by the Education Ministry on March 24. It is against the rules and the University Ordinance and is a "naked attack" on the autonomy of the university, the meeting observed.