

## BUET teachers submit memo to Prime Minister

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The BUET Teachers' Association brought out a silent procession yesterday and marched towards the Secretariat to hand over a memorandum to the Prime Minister.

President of the Association Prof Abul Razzak Akand, told The Daily Star that the procession of the teachers was intercepted near the Shikkha Bhaban on Abdul Ghani Road, while it was on its way to the Secretariat at about 12.00 noon.

"Mahmudur Reza Chowdhury, PS-1 to the Prime Minister received the copy of the memorandum," he said.

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## BUET teachers' memo

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Before marching towards the Secretariat, BUET teachers assembled in front of the Mechanical Engineering Department at around 9.30 am and brought out a silent procession around the campus. The procession towards the Secretariat yesterday began at around 11.00 am.

Stalemate at the BUET persists as the teachers went into an indefinite strike from May 5, following resignation by Prof Iqbal Mahmud from his post of Vice Chancellor and 71 other teachers from their administrative posts.

Prof Iqbal Mahmud had resigned from his post on May 4, protesting interference from higher authorities in the university affairs.

The two-page memorandum addressed to the Prime Minister, who is also the Chancellor of BUET, was signed by the president and secretary general of the BUETTA. It sought cooperation from the Prime Minister for restoration of normalcy at the BUET.

The memorandum appealed to the Chancellor "for allowing Prof Iqbal Mahmud to return to the post of Vice Chancellor with dignity and honour". It also demanded assurance from the highest authority that "there will be no interference in the autonomy of the university or its management in the future and that the vice chancellor will be allowed to function with all the powers vested on him under the ordinance".