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ICCIT begins at BUET today

A two-day International Conference on Computer and Information Technology (ICCIT) begins at the BUET in Dhaka today (Friday) to focus on research work in the sector, reports UNB.

Vice Chancellor of Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology Prof Nooruddin will inaugurate the third ICCIT at 9 a.m. Dhaka University organised the first ICCIT and BUET the second one.

Leading IT personality Prof Jamilur Reza Chowdhury will be present at the inaugural session as special guest at Computer Science and Engineering Department of BUET.

Shahjalal University of Science and Technology in Sylhet, the host of the conference, had to shift the venue to Dhaka due to "threat from some fundamentalist groups". The groups had been unleashing threats to gherrao the university over naming of a hall after Jahanara Imam, organisers said.

ICCIT originally planned to hold a three-day conference but reduced it to a two-day affair because of proposed hartal on December 5 and 6.

Organisers said more than 250 delegates, including experts from Australia, Japan, Ghana, Finland, United Kingdom and India will take part in the ICCIT.

Conference Organising Committee Chairman Dr. Zafar Iqbal informed that a total of 60 research papers, out of 98 submitted, will be presented in different working sessions.

"The conference is research oriented one. Its main target is creating a congenial and suitable atmosphere for research on computer and information technology", he said.