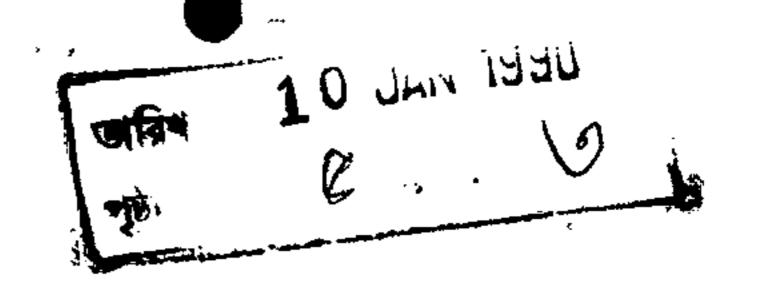
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Student politics and campus unrest

Dear Editor,

Student politics will perhaps be too difficult never be stopped in Bangladesh specially in Dhaka University which from its initial. stage had a political orientation. But student organisations be discouraged from working as the wings of political parties. That is also hard to achieve as our Constitution provides the political parties with the scope of having student wings. President Ershad has of course declared that Jatiya Party would have no student wing but other political par ties have not résponded to this gesture. The existence cf a constitutional provision enables them to open student wing at any time the like.

The unrest on the Dhaka University campus, it is said by all quarters, is basically due to the existence of student

wings of different political parties. Once the direct support of political parties to the student organisations is stopped by repealing the constitutional prevision in this regard there shall come, we hope a cooling effect on their activities.

Probably the 10th amendment would be placed before the on-going session of Jatiya Sangsad for creating 64 reserved seats for women. We think another amendment should be placed before the current session of the J.S. to repeal the constitutional provision of having student wings by political parties. The proposal may be considered in the greater interest of the nation and the student community in particular.

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