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CAMPUS

CU : Far from normal ?

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Things are not too right at CU which has till now been functioning like a parttime university with most teachers commuting from the city to the campus and back each day. After four the campus is all deserted.

The Acting VC of CU, Prof. Alamgir Mohammed Serajuddin who considers himself to be a permanent Acting VC has created innumerable problems there with the result that the administration has totally collapsed. It is a one-man show with the Acting VC and his supporters enjoying all favours at the campus while the others are left out.

Prof. Serajuddin took over his new post in the month of May last year. The sudden unexpected resignation of the former VC Prof. Mohammed Ali made the post vacant. The present VC has made enemies among a number of teachers of both the pink and white panel. This has put him in a predicament and he is too scared to call the Senate

to select the VC's panel. This should have been done before the Ramzan vacation.

It may not be out of place to state that the last election of VC panel was held on 4 April 1985 whereby Prof. Mohammed Ali was elected as VC but he resigned on the third year of his four-year term.

CRUX OF THE PROBLEM

Prof. A. Mohd Serajuddin in his first Senate address last June had addressed himself as the Acting VC but now he claims that he is not 'acting' but has been appointed to the post till further orders. This has triggered off resentment among the CU teachers who consider this assertion by the Acting VC as highly "immoral". It is learnt after the Ramzan vacations are over a group of teachers are going to demand Senate election of VC's panel. But insiders close to Prof. Serajuddin are of the opinion that he will delay the election of VC panel till the three

year term of the present Senate is over in October.

The appointment of Prof. Serajuddin had bypassed the sitting Pro VC Prof. Ali Imdad Khan. His appointment was hailed by the white panel of teachers having links with the Jamaat. The Shibir workers were overjoyed. But the pink panel were hurt by his appointment. They criticized the move to bypass the Prof. VC. After some days some teachers of this group changed their panel and tried to be friends with the Acting VC to gain favours.

PRESENT SITUATION

Now the Acting VC has become a power at the hands of Chhatra Shibir. No party except them could hold meetings and party conference at the campus. The Chhatra Sangram Parishad being banned at the campus its supporters who are examinees are sitting for their exams at the Teachers Club under police guard—something unthinkable in our educational institutions.

The Acting VC as reported earlier tried to create wedge among the supporters of pink panel by offering them special favours such as assistant proctorship, assistant house tutorship and promise of early promotion.

He has also reconstituted the Syndicate and Academic Council with pro-Jamaat teachers. It is alleged that many pink panel supporters were deprived of promotion whereas fresh appointments were made on party basis without regard to merit or quality.

All this has completely spoilt the academic atmosphere of CU. Concerned quarters feel something should be done to straighten matters there or else the future of CU is grave. Moreover there lurks a fear that serious disturbances may occur at CU in connection with the CUCSU polls.