

Immediate reopening of DU urged

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Dhaka University Researchers Association (DURA) urged the concerned authorities on Wednesday to re-open the university immediately.

In a statement issued to the Press, Mr. Moksud Chowdhury, President, DURA, said that the Central Library of the University, reference section, newspaper and periodicals section, departmental seminar rooms etc. had also come for the first time under the closure notice, leading to a total suspension of all research activities.

The DURA President demanded that all libraries, seminar and reference rooms of the University should be re-opened forthwith and the university campus should be used as relief and rehabilitation centres, if the concerned authorities decided not to resume the classes soon.

In another statement, the Central
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Executive Committee of Bangladesh Democratic Students Union also demanded the immediate reopening of the university. It appealed to all students to engage themselves unitedly in relief operations in the flood-hit areas in view of what it termed the failures of the government to provide the minimum succour to the flood-victims.

Rally on Saturday

Our Varsity Correspondent adds:—A group of students urged rest of their friends to attend a rally to be held on the Dhaka University campus on Saturday to take a decision against the university authority for its delay in reopening the university.

In a Press release, the students alleged that the genuine students were being suffered following the unexpected closure. They further alleged that the authority held a series of meetings for the last few days but did not take a positive decision.

Incidentally, the Dhaka University had been closed since July 15 following an armed clash between the supporters of pro-BNP and pro-JSD (Inu) student groups. Two students and a rickshawpulle were killed in the clash.

Following the closure, the scheduled honours final examination 1985, masters degree final examinations, and a number of in-course tutorial examinations have affected.