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Irregularities in selecting DU teachers alleged

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Irregularities, nepotism and corruptions have been alleged in the selection of Associate Professors in the Department of Political Science of Dhaka University.

It has been learnt from reliable sources that on September 19, 1987, the Selection Committee, in filling in

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vacancies for six advertised posts of Associate Professors in the Department of Political Science, has demonstrated extreme high-handedness and partnership by selecting 13 candidates, placing six against advertised posts upgrading the rest from their existing position of Assistant Professor.

It is found that out of the 13 candidates selected, eleven of them have no First Class either B.A. Honours or M.A. examinations. Of the eleven, five have no First Divisions or First Class throughout their entire academic career, four have only one First Division at SSC level. Only an external candidate possesses First Class in both B.A. Honours and M.A. examinations.

Some of the glaring cases of irregularity and partnership surface when one looks at the background, experi-

ence and publication record of the five selected candidates. One teacher has the 'unique distinction' of getting Third Division in SSC in 1946 and pass in B.A. examination in 1950. He was no higher degree other than an M.A. from Dhaka University. He has published nothing during his 13 years' stay in the Department.

Such cases were also alleged against four more teachers including a woman. They were selected for the posts of Associates Professors though they did no fill in the requirements.

A majority of the teachers at the University believe that this selection has affected the credibility of their institution and has added an ignominious chapter in its history. It has created a lot of suspicion and distrust among them. They ardently believe that merit is being relegated to a secondary position as a criterion of advancement, belonging to a certain group having direct influence in the University affairs has now become allegedly the most important criterion in the selection process.

When contacted, a senior official of the University who was in the Selection Committee denied the allegations and termed it as a conspiracy against the academic activities of the University. However, he admitted that the teachers of the University were divided in two groups.

VC congratulates students, teachers

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Prof. Abdul Mannan, Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University in a statement on Monday congratulated the students, teachers, officers and employees of the university for their spontaneous participation in the mourning rally and silent procession of the Educational Environment Council on Sunday.

The Vice-Chancellor strongly cautioned that they would not de-touch from taking actions against some alleged terrorists. He reiterated his firm determination to implement the decisions of disciplinary committee and syndicate.