

'Session jam' robs a youth's best years

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The academic sessions of the Dhaka University have been lagging behind for more than two and a half years.

The loss is called 'session jam' meaning a student of Dhaka University needs at least seven years to complete three years honours and one-year masters degree courses.

The students of 1980-81 batch are yet to sit for their examination. They have completed the courses long ago. The Honours final examinations of 1982-83 session are yet to begin. The examinations were scheduled to be held in early 1985.

Honours final examinees are demonstrating every day demanding re-opening of the University.

The students who were admitted to the University in 1983-84 academic year have been promoted to Third Year recently while they were due to be in Masters degree final year.

The preliminary Masters degree candidates have been waiting for starting their second part classes as

they completed first part about a year ago.

Series of armed clashes and violences on the campus affect the genuine students. It is observed that most of the armed vandals and political hoodlums are outsiders. But the authority could not take any measure against them.

Investigation shows that majority of the teachers do not take classes regularly. They cannot finish the courses. Most of them are busy with other activities than the academic functions. Allegations have been made that the scripts are not examined by many of the teachers within stipulated time and results could not be published as usual.

Dhaka University had been closed since July 15 following an armed clash between the members of Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal and pro-JSD (Inu) Chhatra League.

It is an irony of fate that a student of Dhaka University loses several years to get a degree for which he or she has no hand.