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DU faces grave crisis, new VC

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Prof. Maniruzzaman Miah, the Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University in an appeal on Saturday called upon the teachers, students, employees, guardians, government, political parties, student organisations intellectuals and professional organisations to come forward by sinking all differences to reach a consensus for bringing back a healthy atmosphere on the campus.

Prof. Miah said the university which was known as 'Oxford of the East' has not only lost its image but also is facing grave crisis. At least 12 promising students and youths were killed here in armed terrorism in the last few years. "But we could not

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give logical answers to their parents", the Vice-Chancellor regretted.

The Vice-Chancellor said that the varsity administration tried to solve the problems closing down the university. But the closures gave only temporary solutions to the problems creating new others. Worst session jam has been created in the university, he added.

In the appeal the Vice-Chancellor said that the buildings of the university were in dilapidated condition, the transport facilities for the students were too inadequate the standard of living and food are too poor in the residential halls, sixty per cent of the teachers had no residential facilities on the campus and they have no adequate transport facilities.

Due to fund constraints the university could not fulfil the demands of daily expenses for educational materials, the university could not form syllabus having relations with the modern era, new research laboratories could not be set up, but this university still have to contribute to the field of science and knowledge of the nation.

The Vice-Chancellor said, about 1000 teachers of the university were highly qualified and the institution could restore its lost image through proper plan and management. The Vice-Chancellor said the normal activities should continue.