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No amendment to Varsity Ordinance this session

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Education Minister Sheikh Shahidul Islam has ruled out the possibility of bringing any amendment to the University Ordinance, 1973 during the current session, but admitted that the government was considering possible changes in it in the coming days to meet the demand of the time.

Replying to a supplementary question from ruling Jatiya Party MP Abdur Rahim during the morning sitting yesterday, the education Minister told the Parliament that the University Grants Commission had been asked to have dialogue with the teachers and other related persons for making the ordinance up-to-date.

In this regard he informed the House that the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Education has already formed a sub-committee to suggest necessary measures to be required for maintaining a healthy and academic atmosphere in the campus.

The Minister also informed the House that there are 1,118

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teachers in the Dhaka University at present.

Replying to a question from Mr. Md. Azharul Haq (JP-Faridpur), Sheikh Shahid said 232 teachers were outside the country on leave. The leave period of 50 teachers had expired, he added, according to BSS.

Sheikh Shahid said legal action under the university rules had been taken against these teachers whose leave period had expired, and the process was continuing.

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