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DU to hold exams today despite GCO's strike call

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Dhaka University authorities have taken up all necessary steps to hold the examinations scheduled for today despite a strike call by the left-leaning student organisations.

Ganotantrik Chhatra Oikya (GCO), a conglomeration of some left-leaning student organisations called for the strike at all universities of the country to protest police action on the agitating students of Jahangirnagar University (JU) demanding immediate resumption of JU classes, cancellation of enhanced admission fees at JU.

Their demands also included resumption of bus service at Chittagong University (CU), making the residential halls of Rajshahi University (RU) free from Shibir activists, disclosure of the list of 60 terrorists on DU campus, formation of a complaint cell to handle and resist harassment of female students and more government allocation for the universities.

When contacted, both the university authorities and the student bodies were stick to their positions.

Vice-Chancellor Prof A K Azad Chowdhury talking to The Daily Star yesterday said that the DU authorities had taken all preparations to hold the today's examinations in a peaceful atmosphere. "The decision to hold examinations is taken for the greater interest of the students," the VC said adding none should stand against the decision.

A meeting of all Hall Provosts, departmental chairmen and institute directors was also held yesterday that hailed the Syndicate decision to hold the examinations.

Presided over by VC Prof A K Azad Chowdhury, the meeting sought cooperation from all quarters to hold the examinations peacefully.

On the other hand, leaders of the GCO at a rally on the campus

yesterday condemned the DU Syndicate decision and vowed to resist it at any cost.

The GCO leaders alleged that the DU authorities had taken the decision bypassing various demands of the student community. They brought out a procession on the campus to drum up support for the strike.

BNP-backed Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) also brought out a procession and held a rally in front of Arts Building and extended their support to the strike.