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BSMMU atmosphere affected due to agitation

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Educational atmosphere and treatment facilities in Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University (BSMMU) are badly affected due to agitation by a section of staff.

A group of staff, who are mostly members of Doctors Association of Bangladesh (DAB) started their agitation in the university premises to change "Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University" into its previous nomenclature "Institute of Post-Graduate Medicine and Research (IPGMR) immediately after

change over of the government.

The aforesaid group who are agitating almost everyday has hung up small and big size banners in front of different buildings including the main gate of the main building. They also decorated the walls of different buildings of BSMMU by posters demanding change of the BSMMU into IPGMR, reinstatement 600 doctors and resignation of the VC and Pro-VCs.

It is reported that they are creating pressure on VC Prof Mahmudul Hasan and the Pro VCs

Prof Rashid-e-Mahbub and Prof KM Iqbal in different ways to resign from their posts.

It may be mentioned here that Awami League government in 1998 upgraded the IPGMR into country's First Medical University for higher studies of country's medical students in their own land. About four to five thousand medical students have now been studying in 36 departments and country's best doctors teaching them in the BSMMU since for the last four years.

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A group of doctors told Bangladesh Observer that their demands had no justification and if the government should now turn the BSMMU into IPGMR it would be a disaster for country's medical education and medical science.

They further said students not only from Bangladesh but also from different foreign countries have been studying in the Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University for the last four years. It would create a bad impression to different foreign countries if the government should take any move to change university into IPGMR.

They have hung up banners in the name of "Bangladesh Sarkari Karmachari Sangjukta Parishad" and posters in the name of "Shachetan Chikitshak Nagarik-O-Karmachari Parishad".