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6th convocation of BUET today

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The sixth convocation of the Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (BUET) will be held today (Saturday) at the BUET ground.

Chancellor of the university Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina will formally confer degrees on the graduates, post-graduates and PhD holders of three successive batches.

Former Chief Justice Mostafa Kamal will present the convocation speech.

A total of 1,832 degree holders are expected to attend this year's convocation, Dr Golam Mohiuddin said at a press briefing on the campus on Thursday. Of the degree holders, 10 are PhD holders, 256 post-graduates and 1,566 Bachelor's degree holders.

Prof Jamilur Reza Chowdhury, Prof Wahazuddin and Prof M Firoz Ahmed will be awarded Dr MA Rashid Medal for their outstanding contribution to research and teaching.

The last (fifth) convocation of the university was held in December, 1997. BUET held its first ever convocation in 1973. Chaired by the then President Justice Abu Sayeed Chowdhury, the function was attended by Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman as chief guest.

An estimated amount of Taka 3.7 million will be spent at the convocation. University Grants Commission will provide about Taka 2 million while the remaining will come from university's own fund.