



## State University to start session from Sept 1

Yet another private university styled State University of Bangladesh is scheduled to start academic session from September 1 to meet a growing need for higher and specialized studies, reports UNB.

Professor Ijajuddin Ahmed is the Vice-Chancellor and owner of Lab Aid Dr Shamim is the President of the State University at Satmasjid Road, Dhanmondi.

The university will start with BBA, MBA, BSC in Computer Science & Engineering and BSC in Computer Science & IT course and later on introduce MSC/BSC in Biomedical Engg, BSC in Nursing, BSC in Medical Technology (Laboratory, Dental, Physiotherapy and Radiography).

Talking to senior journalists from national dailies and news agencies, on Wednesday, Prof. Ijajuddin Ahmed said one of the basic philosophies behind the setting up of the State University is to stop brain drain for the larger interest of the nation.

He said the State University authorities would recruit full-time teachers from BUET for computer science and IBA of Dhaka University for business administration to produce brilliant graduates from his university.

The authorities will also try to have links with foreign universities so that the graduates from the State University could get admitted into foreign universities for higher studies.

"Outstanding students would be given free tuition or half-free tuition while 5 to 10 per cent students would be given scholarship on the basis of merit," said Prof. Ahmed.

He hoped that the State University would be different from other private universities for its teaching techniques and disciplines.

President of the University Dr Shamim said special thrust would be given on medical science faculty. He said with the introduction of BSC in Nursing Course, the university would be in a position to send the specially trained nurses to different foreign hospitals, including in USA, to meet the demands over there.

Vice-President Dr Mahbubur Rahman and Head of Dept. of Planning Development & Public Affairs Shamsuddin Ahmed also explained aims and objectives of the new university. The State University will be the 30<sup>th</sup> in private sector in Bangladesh.