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Ershad tells Vice-Chancellors

Political parties responsible for campus violence

President H.M. Ershad yesterday said the killing of meritorious student like Arif in a recent incidence of violence in Dhaka University was sad and unfortunate, reports BSS.

Describing the incident as shameful, the President said the nation could no longer afford to play with the lives for our future citizens.

While making remarks during the monthly meeting with the Vice-Chancellors of Universities, President Ershad held the political parties, and groups, who dragged the students into politics, responsible for such incidents.

The President, who is also the Chancellor of the Universities, regretted that despite repeated appeals the opposition parties did not dissuade themselves from giving indulgence to students politics.

Recailing the dissolution of the student front of Jatiya Party he pointed out that the intentions of his government and the Jatiya Party in this regard was very clear and that it had already been proved.

President Ershad observed that the nation might get rid of the problem with the coopera-Contd. on page 8 col. 6

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The meeting held at the International Conference Centre was also addressed by education Minister Sheikh Shahidul Islam. Principal Secretary of the ! President A.H. F.K. Sadique, Education Secretary Hedayet Ahmed, Chairman of the University grants Commission (UGC) Prof. Syed Ali Ahsan and members of the UGC also attended the meeting.

The meeting, reviewed the up to date progress of shifting of the Islamic University to its new campus at Shantidanga-Dulaspur in Kushtia Jhenidah districts and decided to accelerate the process so that the next academic sussion could be star-

ted there.

The meeting also reviewed the efforts taken by the various universities to overcome the problems arising out of session jams and constituted a committee under chairmanship of Education Minister to take necessary actions in this regard.

It also discussed the present state of law education in the country and decided to form a committee headed by Prof. M. A Bari of UGC to review the curriculum, syllabus, conducting of the examinations and make recommendations in this regard.