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Ensure quality education to match competitive world

Iajuddin tells 2nd convocation of Brac University

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President Iajuddin Ahmed yesterday called upon the private university authorities to come forward to provide quality education so that the students can match the competitive world.

"We want to make a knowledge-based society, where wisdom would be the main tool for the overall development," he said while addressing the 2nd convocation of the Brac University at Bangladesh-China Friendship Conference Centre.

President of Brac University Governing Body Fazle Hasan Abed and Vice Chancellor Prof Jamilur Reza Choudhury were present at the programme with Dr Gowher Rizvi as the convocation speaker.

In the beginning of his speech, Iajuddin, also chancellor of the university, paid his deep respect to the unfading memory of the martyrs of the Language Movement and also prayed for salvation of the departed souls.

He reminded that competitive nature of the global economy and the digital divide pose challenges for the country, which can be responded only by harnessing skilled resources.

In this backdrop, universities have a great role to face the challenges of the 21st century by producing capable human resources, he added.

The President also called upon the authorities of the universities to make their institutions centre of excellence, where every student can get an ample opportunity to make them a worthy citizen.

"In connection, I strongly



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President Iajuddin Ahmed gives away a medal to a student at the second convocation of Brac University at Bangladesh-China Friendship Conference Centre in the city yesterday.

suggest that we have to stop brain-drain for the sake of the nation," he said.

Iajuddin also urged the authorities to take necessary steps to bring back the meritorious students and teachers home after taking higher degrees abroad.

He said the private universities are playing a vital role in disseminating higher education in the society and are accommodating a good number of students in the field of higher studies helping to stop flight of foreign exchange.

The President urged the University Grants Commission (UGC) to monitor the academic

programmes as well as the atmosphere that are prevailing in both private and public universities for ensuring quality education for all.

Congratulating the graduate students, Iajuddin said: "You have a great debt in the society and it is your time to repay your liabilities. I hope you will uphold truth over falsehood, justice

over injustice and honesty over dishonesty at the time discharging your duties wherever you are assigned."

"I trust the students of Brac University will be able to prove their worth in this competitive world," he said.