

Teachers' work abstention ends

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THE two-day work abstention by government college teachers concluded on Monday.

Under the banner of BCS General Education Association, teachers of 313 government colleges abstained from academic activities

on Sunday and Monday, to protest a government move that could include teachers of newly nationalised colleges in education cadre service.

Due to the protest programme, National University and Dhaka University authorities deferred final examinations for degree

and honours courses of all colleges under both the institutions.

'Like the previous day, our work abstention was successful as teachers of all colleges observed it simultaneously,' association secretary general president M Shahedul Khabir Chowdhury told New Age

on Monday.

'We would go for work abstention for three days in January for the same reason,' he added.

He also warned that they would go for work abstention for indefinite period if the government includes the newly nationalised college teachers as Bangladesh Civil Services cadres.

Some students in Dhaka College informed New Age that the protest programme of the teachers could create sufferings for the students.

Shahedul assured that the teachers will take make-up classes and other necessary steps to mitigate the hassle of students.

In April 2017, the government selected 285 private colleges across the country for nationalisation. So far, the government has nationalised 51 private colleges, said sources in education ministry.



Eden Mohila College Unit of BCS Sadharon Sikkha Samiti observes a full-day work abstention on Monday protesting at a government move to provide cadre status and benefits to the teachers of colleges recently nationalised.

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