

DU 'Ga' unit Admission Test

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petition filed by 12 admission seekers, who came out successful in the test.

The HC bench of Justice A H M Shamsuddin Chowdhury Manik and Justice Jahangir Hossain asked the authorities to immediately remove the dean of business studies faculty Prof Jamal Uddin from his post and appoint another competent teacher.

Prof Jamal Uddin cannot deny his responsibility as the anomalies in the question papers of the admission tests damaged the dignity and image of DU, said the court.

It also directed the DU authorities to immediately form another committee to identify the persons respons-

sible for damaging the university's image and dignity and take action against them as per DU rules.

Citing statements made by Dhaka University Teachers' Association President Prof Anwar Hossain before it, the court said around Tk 50 lakh of the state will be squandered if a fresh admission test is held.

The directives came a day after Prof Anwar and Dr Zafar Iqbal told the court that the answer sheets could be re-evaluated excluding the erroneous questions.

The HC has solved the crisis over the admission test with the assistance of expert educationists, petitioners' counsel advocate Manzill Murshid told The Daily Star.

Contacted, DU Vice-Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique said, "After receiving the copy of the HC order, we will consult our counsels to decide the next course of action."

The admission test for the 2011-12 academic session was held on November 11. But the publication of the results sparked protests from hundreds of students for the alleged wrong counting of marks.

In the wake of allegations, the DU authorities decided to cancel the results and hold a fresh test on December 9.

The 12 petitioners approached the court on November 22 seeking its directives for the DU authorities to continue the admission process.

Bangladesh betters a bit

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public sectors -- both administrative and political -- of 182 countries are.

Bangladesh was at the bottom for five years (2001-2005) on the TI scale. In the following five years, it ranked third, seventh, tenth, thirteenth and twelfth.

In the list ordered from top Bangladesh stood 120th this year.

Among the South Asian countries, Bangladesh was ranked fourth, better than countries like Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Maldives but stands after Bhutan (5.7), Sri Lanka (3.3) and India (3.1).

Bhutan made a steady and remarkable development in curbing corruption and performed better than countries like Poland (5.5), South Korea (5.4), Hungary (4.6), Czech Republic (4.4) and Italy (3.9).

Score above 5 indicates

success in moderate control in corruption.

Data of 17 surveys done by 13 international organisations and opinions from observers, including experts from inside and outside the countries, have been used to prepare the index.

However, not all surveys include all countries. Bangladesh was included in nine surveys for this year's index, which covered the period between January 2010 and September 2011.

Two Asian countries -- Singapore (9.2) and Hong Kong (8.4) -- were ranked fourth and 10th.

Countries like the USA, the UK, France, Austria and Belgium scored less than 8.0, indicating that corruption remains a serious global problem. The USA did worse than Qatar, Chile, Bahamas and Barbados.

LONGWAYTO GO
The report pointed out

seven points that helped Bangladesh make the slight progress. Those are reaffirmation of strong electoral commitment, formulation of Right to Information Act and Whistleblower Protection Act, establishment of Information Commission and Human Rights Commission, citizen's charter in service providing institutions, training on anti-corruption in government bodies and formulation of an implementation strategy of the UN convention against corruption.

"There is no scope to be satisfied with the improvement as the score still puts Bangladesh in the list of the most corrupt countries," Dr Iftekharuzzaman, executive director of Transparency International, Bangladesh (TIB), said as he unveiled the report at a press conference in the Jatiya Press Club.

Ivy for strong local govt

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way Dhaka Mayor Sadeque Hossain Khoka has to leave his office... it is sad. Democracy will not get institutional shape if there is no strong local government system in the country."

Ivy yesterday started from her home on foot at about 11:00am and reached Nagar Bhaban around 12:20pm and assumed the responsibilities of the mayor. Several hundred people walked along with the new mayor.

"While leaving Nagar Bhaban on June 27, after expiry of my term as municipal mayor, I told

you that I will be back in Nagar Bhaban with people's mandate. I was confident that in discharging my responsibilities as the municipal mayor, I did nothing that went against the people's interest."

Ivy said Nagar Bhaban

will remain open to all, irrespective of their party affiliation or opinion.

She had a warning for ward councillors, officials and employees of the city corporation: "Don't get involved with tender manipulation. Work for

the welfare of the people and win their confidence taking them along with you."

Ivy was elected mayor defeating Shamim Osman with a margin of more than one lakh votes in the election held on October

30. Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina administered her oath of office on November 27.

She said she has no clue as to why the ruling Awami League did not back her in the race for mayor.

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