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wonder what the regulations state about holding a viva voce without the knowledge of a member of the examination committee," read the letter. On March 8, another letter was submitted to the exam controller by Prof Abdul Mannan, a teacher in the department.

It stated that on January 16, Sazzad conducted the viva voce of some students in absence of two other committee members. which is clearly a violation of university rules.

Talking to The Daily Star some of those students confirmed the allegation.

Contacted, Sazzad denied the allegation and said it was part of a conspiracy against him.

"The external teacher informed me that he could not attend the viva voce," he said. "We have formed a

fact-finding committee following the matter. Once we get the report, we will know what actually happened," said Prof Ruhul Amin, chairperson of the department.

Dhaka University Vice Chancellor Prof M told Akhtaruzzaman "We Daily Star, The will compromise not with university rules. Authorities concerned will take action if anyone is found guilty."

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People under the banner "Garment Sramik Trade Union Kendra" bring out a procession in Jatiya Press Club area yesterday, demanding Eid bonus and payment of arrears for RMG workers by 20th Ramandan. Their other demands include minimum wage of Tk 20,000 for garment workers. PHOTO: STAR

RU flip-flops over admission

FROM PAGE 5 led by then VC Prof Muhammad Mizanuddin, first decided to allow only fresh HSC graduates to sit for admission tests from

2016-17 academic session. In 2017, the new administration changed the rule and reinstated the "second chance" option for 2017-18. Then VC Prof M Abdus Sobhan said they did so to help students, especially those from the north, who were lagging behind in education.

administration withdrew quality education, not to In 2015, the RU authorities, this option from 2019-20, and that decision was in place till 2020-21 session. In addition, the RU authorities first introduced

the very next session.

primary process to find talented students. "So, the authorities should

serve any other purposes." Former VC Prof Mizanuddin said, "We abolished the second-try

opportunity for the first time to ensure quality education. Afterwards, we saw so many changes in the rules, which were for various purposes. The authorities need to stay neutral while introducing

Over the matter, pro-VC Prof Sultan-Ul-Islam said, "It is a failure for us that we could not maintain any standard in admission test. But, we are trying to do so in the upcoming days."

Denying the allegation of serving personal purposes, the incumbent VC said, "We kept the secondchance option this year as per recommendations of admission test subcommittee. In addition, there were requests from UGC to do so.'

Two bikers FROM PAGE 5

Medical College Hospital.

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police, judiciary and state

He said they have heard that the government has made a list of BNP's dispose of the cases against those front-ranking leaders," he alleged.

The BNP leader said the government is also trying to suppress other opposition parties like the left parties by filing cases against them.

'They (government) are trying to make the election field empty as they did it before the national election in 2018 and 2014," he said.

Fakhrul also condemned the arrest of their party leader Ishraque Hossain. He said the new chief

election commissioner has been holding talks with different sections of people and making various statements about a credible election. "These are all

dramas," he said. He also criticised the inspector general of police and the DMP

At least consider

FROM PAGE 3 Deputy Secretary Sherman appreciated Bangladesh's willingness to address these issues, while also stressing upon early implementation of the reform process, especially regarding trade union rights in private sectors.

She also discussed the democratic process in Bangladesh and on the possibility of Bangladesh's participation in the next Democracy Summit, according to a message received from Washington. The two sides also discussed the situation in Ukraine and its global implications, the strategy, Indo-Pacific security and sector cooperation.

Masud also discussed the possibility of officials visiting Bangladesh marking 50 years of US-Bangladesh diplomatic relations, and the issue of deporting the selfconfessed killer of Sheikh Bangabandhu Mujibur Rahman -- Rashed Chowdhury -- from the US. The foreign secretary also met Julieta Valls Noves, US assistant secretary of

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state for the Bureau of Population, Refugee and Director

Migration, and discussed Security Council (NSC) of the Rohingya issue.

US assistant secretary Noves is scheduled to visit Bangladesh soon.

She agreed with Masud that without creating hope of repatriation, the displaced Rohingya population in Bangladesh risks of pose major radicalisation and transnational crimes.

The assistant secretary expressed her country's willingness to remain deeply engaged, and emphasised the need for education, source of livelihood, etc, for the displaced Rohingyas.

The foreign secretary stated that the US should participate in the humanitarian works in Bhasan Char. He also reiterated that

the sanctions should be lifted. Noyes informed that her upcoming visit is part of the US's reassessment

process in this regard. Masud and Noves discussed in detail the constraints and challenges

resolve the issue. Masud also met Senior of National solved soon.

the White House Sumona Guha over a lunch meeting. During the discussion, the two sides agreed

that a meeting held this week in Washington DC by Bangladesh foreign minister and foreign secretary created new bilateral impetus for ties, and emphasised the importance of regular

engagement. He also discussed the sanctions on Rab and related individuals, and asked whether the sanctions can be partially lifted.

They also discussed the DSA and Bangladesh's efforts to re-examine the law.

Senior Director Guha appreciated Bangladesh's willingness to engage with the US on human rights issues.

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