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Contribute to nation building

President asks students

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President Zillur Rahman gives away a gold medal to a successful graduate at the 7th convocation of Brac University at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre in the city yesterday. Photo: PID

President Zillur Rahman yesterday called upon the student organisations to contribute more to the nation building activities by upholding their past glorious history.

“It can't be expected that student organisations will be involved in intra-party conflicts to serve the interest of individuals or small groups,” he said.

Zillur made the remarks while presiding over the 7th convocation of Brac University at Bangabandhu International Conference Centre.

Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid spoke as the special guest while former Chief Adviser to a caretaker government Justice Mohammad Habibur Rahman was the Convocation Speaker. Brac University Vice Chancellor Prof Ainun Nishat also spoke on the occasion. Zillur, also the chancellor of the university, said students are the engines of the nation. They will have to advance the nation through their creative works. But the proud history of the student

organisations has not been reflected throughout their activities today. “I hope the student community upholding their past pride will contribute more to the nation building activities,” he said.

Mentioning that the quality education is getting city-centered, he called for reducing the gap in higher education opportunities between the rural and the urban areas to expedite overall development of the country. “Differences between rural and urban will have to be reduced. Otherwise, the nation's development and progress may be disrupted. I urge all concerned to take necessary steps in this regard,” Zillur said.

The president awarded three chancellor gold medals to Nusrat Jahan Dipa and Maria Matin in the Bachelor of Social Science in Economics while Nowrin Nowshaba in the Masters of Biotechnology for their outstanding academic results.

A total of 608 students including graduates and post graduates were conferred degrees at the convocation.