



Dhaka University academics at a memorial lecture on 'Climate Change Challenges: Road to Doha and Beyond' organised by DU history department at RC Majumdar auditorium of the university on Saturday. Sitting from left are arts faculty dean Sadrul Amin, history department Chairman Shireen Hasan Osmany, DU Vice-Chancellor Prof Dr AAMS Arefin Siddique and BRAC University VC Dr Ainun Nishat. sun photo

## Acute food crisis likely after 50 years: Expert

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Eminent water expert Dr Ainun Nishat on Saturday said that Bangladesh will experience acute food shortage after 50 years if the present trend of climate change continues.

“Due to negative impacts of global climate change, many countries, including Bangladesh, are witnessing low rainfall, excessive droughts, cyclones and other natural calamities. If this situation goes on, there will be a sharp fall in food production,” he said while addressing a memorial lecture titled 'Climate Change Challenges: Road to Doha and beyond' at RC Majumdar auditorium at Dhaka University (DU).

DU history department organised the event in memory of three martyred intellectuals of the history department - Prof Sontosh Chandra Bhattacharya, Prof Abul Khair and Prof Giasuddin Ahmed.

Dr Nishat stressed the need for introducing modern agricultural technologies to adapt to the climate change impact.

Speaking on the occasion, DU Vice Chancellor Prof AAMS Arefin Siddique said Bangladesh will have to play an important role in tackling climate change impacts as it is the worst victim of it. Paying tribute to the martyred teachers, he said, "We are now free citizens of independent Bangladesh due to their supreme sacrifice"

History department Chairman Shireen Hasan Osmany presided over the programme while Associate Professor Dr Iftekhar Iqbal conducted it.

Family members of three martyred intellectuals were also present on the occasion.