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Pvt varsities add new dimension to tertiary education: Nahid

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Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid hands over a crest to a student at the 11th convocation of BRAC University at International Convention City Bashundhara in the city on Monday. - SUN photo

Education Minister Nurul Islam Nahid said private universities throughout the country have added a new dimension to the higher education. "There is no session jam in the private universities. That's the reason why the tendency to go abroad for study has declined, which has a positive impact on the socio-economic development," he said.

The minister made the remarks at the 11th convocation of BRAC University at International Convention City Bashundhara in the city on Monday. The main theme of the convocation was 'Inspiring Excellence'.

The education minister said, "It is now our big challenge to enhance the quality of education. But the BRAC University has achieved it within a short time. In addition, the moral education has been made compulsory in this university." Other universities may be inspired by this university, he said.

Nahid further said, "The universities have the responsibility to turn our students into human resources. We do not make any difference between public and private universities. We want world-class education be provided by all." Speaking as the special guest, University Grants Commission Chairman Prof Abdul Mannan said they are trying to keep a curb on 'education business'.

"We are monitoring who are engaged in education business. It has to be kept in mind that the duty of a university is not only to provide a degree."

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