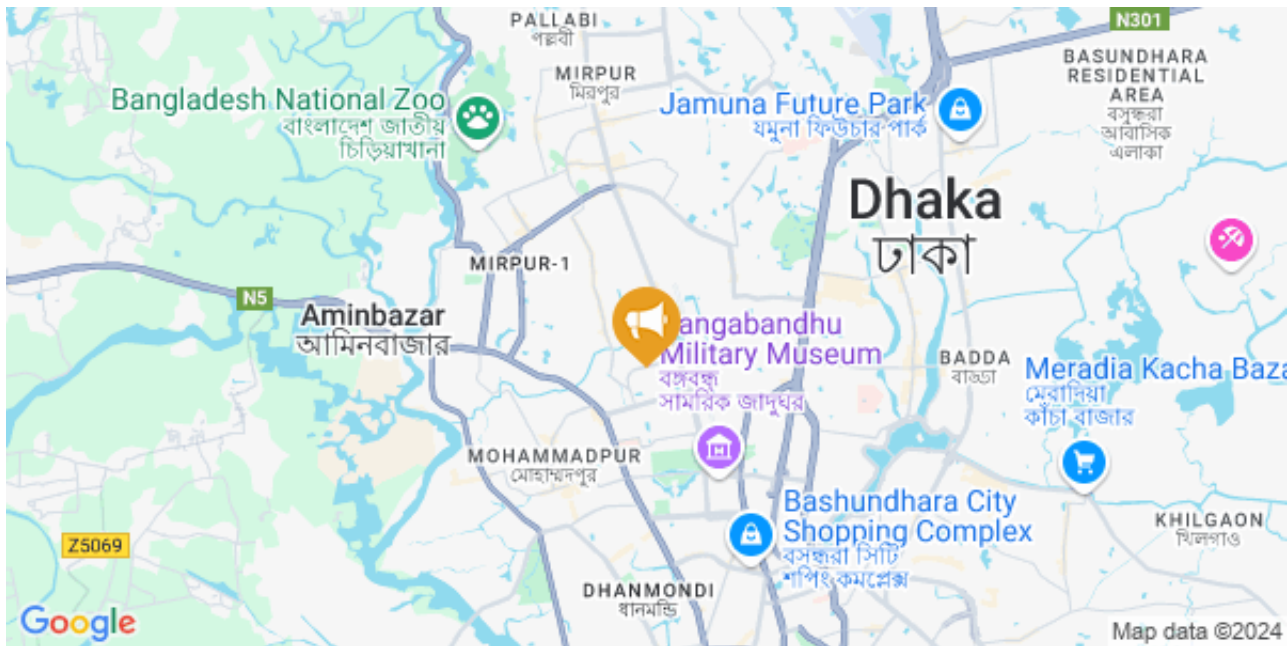


Protest



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Bangladesh Tactical: Student protest slated outside UGC in Dhaka at morning hours (local time) on December 23; maintain vigilance

Current Situation:

- Members of the Private University Students Alliance of Bangladesh (PUSAB) announced a protest march in front of the University Grants Commission of Bangladesh (UGC) in Dhaka during the morning hours (local time) on December 23.
- The protesters will demand the resignation of the Board of Trustees of Prime Asia University, alleging the members' alliance with former Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina.



Source: [Facebook](#)

Assessments & Forecast:

1. The turnout at the protest is anticipated to reach the mid-to-high dozens based on the mobilizing capabilities of the organizing group and the widespread anti-Awami League (AL) sentiments in the country since August. The participation is likely to be bolstered if other like-minded student groups join the protest. Anticipating potential disruptions, the authorities will likely enhance security measures at the protest site, including deploying police officers and installing barricades.
2. Clashes between police and protesters remain possible, particularly if protesters engage in disruptive actions such as breaching security protocols or obstructing major roads. In such cases, the police will likely employ crowd control measures, including temporary detentions, to manage the situation. Localized disruptions to vehicular traffic are anticipated in the vicinity of the aforementioned location due to the protest and associated security measures on December 23.

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Dhaka over the coming hours on December 23 are advised to maintain vigilance in the vicinity of UGC while allotting for travel disruptions.