

Metro rail services to shut from Friday

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Online Desk : Dhaka Mass Transit Company Limited's (DMTCL) regular officers and employees will go into an indefinite work stoppage from Friday (December 12), suspending the total services. Earlier, they have warned that unless the non-publication of long-pending service rules are published by December 11, they will enforce a total operational shutdown the following morning. The protesters will also observe peaceful sit-in near DMTCL's head office, a press release in this regard confirmed.

The officials and employees claimed the authorities had committed to finalising the rules within 60 working days after September 12, 2024, following recommendations from the advisory committee. After employee protests on February 13, 2025, the deadline was extended again, with a renewed pledge to complete the rules by March 20.

But staff say repeated assurances have yielded no progress, fuelling growing resentment.' Although lakhs of commuters are suffering due to the suspension of services, DMTCL employees say that the authorities will have to take full responsibility for this. "We are going on strike out of necessity.