

Azizur's candidacy as Gazipur city councillor cancelled ahead of vote

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Online Desk: The Election Commission has cancelled the candidacy of Azizur Rahman as a councillor in Gazipur city polls, just a day before the vote, over intimidating voters. EC Secretary Md Jahangir Alam on Wednesday said the allegations against Azizur were proven and the councillor candidate for Gazipur Ward No. 40 had confessed to it as well.

On Monday evening, Azizur held a rally at Pubail's Kaler Bazar. While delivering a speech, he allegedly said no one but 'Boat supporters' would be allowed to enter the voting centres. His threat was meant to demoralise those who wished to cast their votes for anyone else.

Azizur's comments went viral on social media and were reported by different news outlets. In his instant reaction to the EC decision, Azizur said: "I can't do anything now as the vote is tomorrow. I don't have the option to move the court anymore."

The candidates who remain in the race are Mohammad Mostafa Kamal and KM Nazrul Islam.