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Governor not even listening to CM's advice, says Bratya

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Kolkata: Accusing Governor C V Ananda Bose of constitutional impropriety, state education minister Bratya Basu on Tuesday said that Governor Bose is not even heeding the advice of CM Mamata Banerjee.

Basu said, "Not only the higher education department but the chancellor is also not ready to accept the existence of the office of the chief minister. Following the Supreme Court order chief minister Mamata Banerjee met him (Governor) but he is not ready to solve the matter." Basu was referring to the ongoing impasse over VC appointments in state-run universities.

He was speaking at the 17th convocation of St Xavier's College.

Referring to the Jadavpur University impasse, he said, "Raj Bhavan has not replied to the letter that was sent from the higher education department as he is trying to create a wedge between the government and its various administrative departments. Why, I don't know? If it is required then we will again send a reminder" added Basu.

"I will advise the Jadavpur University VC to adhere to the court orders and the state directives," he added.

Basu said, "People of Bengal know why and for what reason the impasse has been created under the guidance or the influence of whom. Everything is now crystal clear. We want to solve this stalemate condition under the direction of the Supreme Court as this cannot continue for long. One person (governor) is trying to control the

higher education system in Bengal which is destroying the environment of higher education system in our state where the government is taking positive steps for its development."