



# / 3,000 Educational institutions lack proper requirements

The government has decided to take stern action against those non-government educational institutions that lack proper requirement and sometimes exist only in paper but enjoy all the government benefits, official sources told BSS.

Though a large number of non-government schools, colleges and madrasas failed to fulfil the terms and conditions for government registration, they were given registration in the past few years.

"We will soon formulate a policy framework to take action against these institutions as the government is firm to eliminate corruption from the education department," Director General of the Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education Dr A T M Sharifullah said.

Unofficial figures show that over 3,000 schools, colleges and madrasas lack proper requirements but enjoy all the benefits, including government portion of salaries.

"We do not know the figure yet. We will first find out such institutions and then take action against those in line with the policy decision of the government," Dr Sharif said.

"Things should not go like this way. We would definitely be strict in this regard," he went on.

He said the final decision will be taken after a detailed review of the situation as huge public money is involved in the matter.

Meanwhile, these institutions lack minimum number of students but the number of teachers is shown to be adequate.

According to the existing rules, the non-government educational institutions must have an enrollment of minimum 75 per cent students for appearing at the SSC, HSC or Dhakil and Alim examinations, and 50 per cent of them

must come out successful.

Each secondary level educational institution must have at least 150 students, higher secondary college 200 students and madrasa 100 students.

Over 1000 secondary schools, more than 2000 madrasas and over 250 colleges could not fulfil these terms and conditions in the last few years, sources at the Directorate said.

Only two per cent students passed in the examinations from these institutions in the past few years, they added.