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## Teacher shortage hampers primary education in Noakhali

From Our Correspondent

MAJDEE COURT (Noakhali),  
Mar. 6:—Primary Education  
Programme is being hampered  
badly in six thanas of the district  
due to shortage of teachers, and  
necessary educational inputs.

44 post of Head Master and  
419 post of Assistant Teacher  
have been lying vacant since  
long. It may be mentioned that  
there are 1,109 government and  
non-government primary  
schools in the district.

In Sadar thana there are 328  
primary schools and the number  
of students are 1,30,671. 13 posts  
of Head Master are lying vacant  
here.

In Begumganj thana there are  
284 schools and 1,32,211 stu-  
dents. 10 posts of Headmaster  
and 260 post of Assistant Teacher  
have been lying vacant in the  
thana. 8 post of assistant teachers  
including 2 post of Head Master  
for 36,646 students of 77 schools  
of Companigonj thana have  
been lying vacant.

6 post of Headmaster and 26  
post of Assistant Teacher for  
42,700 students of 105 schools  
of Senbag thana are also vacant.  
6 post of Head Master and 79  
post of assistant teacher in  
Chatkhil thana and 7 post of  
Head Master and 25 post of Asstt.  
Teacher in Hatiya Thana have  
been lying vacant since long.

A good number of schools of  
the district are located in delapi-  
dated house and most of the  
schools have no play ground, la-  
trine and tubewell. The schools  
are not kept cleaned regularly.  
The teachers and the Managing  
Committee are not active to run  
the administration and prevent

dropout, it is alleged.

### Chapainawabganj

UNB report from Chapaina-  
wabganj adds: Some 121 posts of  
teachers are lying vacant in  
primary schools in the district  
hampering education seriously.

The official sources said the  
vacant posts include 34 Head-  
masters and 87 Assistant Tea-  
chers. They said the normal  
academic activities in many pri-  
mary schools are being hampered  
due to acute shortage of teachers.  
The officials, however, said the  
authorities took steps for ap-  
pointing new teachers and the  
written test for the posts of  
Assistant Teacher was held re-  
cently and 435 candidates passed  
the test. They would shortly be  
called for viva voce, they said.