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Lack of proper supervision in schools

Teacher shortage hampers primary education in Rajbari

From Our Correspondent

RAJBARI, Sept 13:—The primary education in different government schools is being hampered due to shortage of requisite number of teachers and lack of proper supervision of the schools by the concerned authorities.

According to an official source, there are 1104 teachers out of 1139 sanctioned posts in

263 government primary schools of the district. But as per ratio for 1,36,928 students in these schools 2740 teachers are needed.

Besides these, 14 posts of headmasters and 21 posts of assistance teachers are lying vacant. At present, the shortage is overcome by holding classes in two shifts. The two shift system causes difficulties to teachers as they are remain busy from morning to evening.

The posts of religious teachers should be introduced in the primary schools for imparting religious education to the students to buildup their moral character as well as to strengthen the base of overall education system of the country.

A total of 17596 students are enjoying the benefit under Food for Education Programme and each student is supplied 15 kg of wheat every month.

Construction of educational institutions

The construction of a number of educational institutions in four thanas of Rajbari district has been completed for providing better accommodation for the students of colleges, secondary schools, madrasahs and vocational institutions.

Ten non-government secondary schools including one government school building were constructed at a cost of Taka 1.75 crores.

These building were two units each with three class rooms, staircase, latrines, tubewells and other sanitary and furniture.

Three madrasa building were constructed at a cost of Taka one crore at Rajbari Sadar, Pangsa and Baliakandi thanas.

One non-government college building was constructed at a cost of Taka 39 lakh in Mrigi union under Pangsa thana.

Three government primary and two grameen primary school buildings were constructed at a cost of Taka 27 lakh.

Besides, Taka 65 lakh has been allocated for the hostel building of Rajbari government Adarsha Mohila College. The construction will be started soon.

Literacy Day observed

The International Literacy Day and Adult Education Week were observed here from September 5 to 8.

The district administration chalked out an elaborate programme to mark the occasion.

The programme was formally inaugurated by Md A.S.M. Hanifuddin Sarkar DC, Rajbari by planting sapling at the collective office premises.

A colourful procession participated by teachers, students, officials, leaders and workers of political parties was brought out from the collectorate office premises and ended at the Zila Shilpakala Academy.

Jarigun, mela, drama, exhibition of short films on eradication of illiteracy, football competitions were other highlights of the programme.

Poura projects

Rajbari pourashava implemented 50 development projects in the 1998-1999 fiscal year at a cost of Tk 70 lakh.

The development projects included construction of bridges, roads, drains earthwork in mosque, madrasa and graveyard.

Youth development

The Youth Development Directorate will disburse Taka 43.52 lakh among the trained unemployed youths, both males and females of Rajbari district to create self-employment opportunities for them.

The loan will be disbursed among 490 youths in four thanas of the district for income-generating projects like Pisciculture, poultry, dairy farm, cottage industries, tailoring and small business.