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Shortage of teachers hampers Pry. edn in Noakhali

From Our Correspondent

NOAKHALI, Jan 27:—Absence of tubewell, bad condition of the toilets, shortage of teachers and educational equipment have created much problems for the students of the government primary schools of the district hampering badly the compulsory primary education prog-

ramme.

There are at least 600 primary schools and 300 registered and un-registered non-government primary schools in six thanas of the district. Although District Primary Education sources said that more than 90 per cent of school-aged boys and girls attending the school but, according to survey made by local NGO's that 60 to 70 per cent boys and girls are attending the schools and minimum 10 per cent are being dropped every year.

There are no tubewell in most of the primary schools. Although toilets were constructed in all the pucca buildings of the schools the condition of the toilets are bad and are not functioning, as a result of which the students have been suffering and bad environment is existing causing health hazard.

The students find it too difficult to collect pure drinking water due to absence of tubewell.

Govt. Girl's High School

Meanwhile, Noakhali Government Girl's High School is beset with multifarious problems causing immense sufferings to the students. The school was established in the year 1942 as Sadar girls' school later named as Umma Girls' High School and nationalised by the Government in 1963.

There are at least 1400 students in

the school having its two shifts and the result of the school is found satisfactory. But the school is beset with multifarious problems including absence of women hostel, shortage of class room, residence of the headmistress, hall room, playground, inadequate space of the commonroom, and shortage of educational appliances. Shortage of teachers hampers the education badly.

There are also shortage of third and fourth class employees which creates hazards in running administration.