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nation is impossible without education."

Begum Zia said the government had already enhanced the age limit for entering government service, from 27 to 30 to solve the problems arising out of the session jam in universities.

She said the government had also constituted a committee to make recommendations for removing session jam. She further mentioned the formation of a committee to resist adoption of unfair means in the examinations.

Begum Zia said it was regrettable that the students had to appear in the SSC and HSC examinations with police guarding the centres and imposition of section 144. "Such a situation should end, she said adding we must find out why our students had to take recourse to unfair means in the halls.

She also emphasised the need for taking suitable measures to check the propensity toward copying in the examinations. "We of course know how all our values have been destroyed in a well-planned way during the last nine years," she said and called upon the teachers and guardians to help the students to overcome this stigma of sitting for the examination under police guard and with imposition of Section 144.

Prime Minister Begum Zia said violence in the campus had not yet stopped. "We know those who had master-minded violence in the campus during the period of autoeracy."

She said the government was determined to uproot terrorism and violence from the campus as democracy and terrorism cannot co-exist. She reminded the teachers of their major responsibility in this regard.

The Prime Minister said the nation was grateful to the students for their glorious role in the movement against autoeracy, they had now to concentrate on their studies to be able to play their part in the growth of democracy and to protect it.

Begum Zia said her government was determined to keep peace on the campus. She said the government and the law-enforcing agencies will

not play a silent role at the time of terrorism in campus. The culprit will be punished whosoever he may be, she said.

Prof. Badruddoza Chowdhury said autoeracy had left behind a mountain of problems in the education sector. He called for cooperation from all sectors to solve these problems.

The Education Minister said as a political government the present government had a commitment to the people lagging behind to bring them out of the darkness of ignorance. He said "we must come forward to help implement mass literacy programme successfully to show the eight crore illiterate people the light of education."

The State Minister for Education called upon the teachers to boldly face the situation on the campus to maintain academic atmosphere.