

Keshabpur Degree College grippe by problems

From Our Correspondent

JESSORE, Nov 5:— Keshabpur Degree College in the district is in utter disarray. Corruption, political influence absence of Managing Committee inadequate teachers and vacancies in the post of Principal and Vice Principal, have caused this situation.

As such the roll-strength of the college is decreasing followed by steady fall in the standard of education. According to sources the college was established in 1968. Its founder Principal Nowab Ali and Moulana Yousuf were the pioneer to found this college and it was then the only college within the neighbouring areas of Monirampur and Obhoynagar upazilas in Jessore, Dumuria in Khulna and Tala, Kolaroa and in Satkhira districts.

The college ran fairly well till 1990 when the Principal Nowab Ali was allegedly forced to resign under a conspiracy which was hatched by a vested group. What is strange is that the post of Principal is lying vacant since then.

It is learnt, so far advertisement has been given in the Newspaper five times for the post of Principal and two were appointed, but none has joined as yet. Hence a professor is officiating as Principal. Similar is the case with the post of Vice Principal. It is keeping vacant since 1997.

The absence of a Managing Committee for the last five years, has created a number of problems. Issuing of injunction by the court against the college election has been the cause. An Adhoc Committee headed by the local Upazila Nirbahi Officer (UNC) and the Principal is looking after the entire affairs.

The officiating Principal MA Samad said, the problems, the college is facing are quite a large and cannot be addressed unless a regular committee comes into existence.

It is also alleged that all development activities of the college, have been suspended following a corruption case filed in the court against the college.

It is further learnt, due to internal problem, materials worth Taka one lakh, sanctioned by the previous government for the Computer Department of the college was returned.

During the early nineties of last century the number of partic-

ipants in Degree Examinations from this college was 1500. Within a short span it has been reduced to only 350. Lack of management and administration has brought this position again. With the retirement of all senior professors, the standard of education has gone down.

The role of a game teacher, these days is very aggressive to his colleagues and this has incurred a very bad name for the college.

Besides there is no arrangement of water supply nor that of toilet in the college as a result female students have to face problems. All extra curricular activities including 'games and sports are virtually suspended and the College library lacks reference books that are required for the students. Want of college boundary wall have made the play ground a grazing field indeed.

It has no hostel causing hardship to students who comes from far away. The cumulative effects of all the indifference, non co-operations and conspiracies of different circles, pose a threat its survival.

Local people urge the competent authority concerned to look into the matter and restore the college on the track to serve the purpose that it was set up for.