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Primary schools in Noapara lack educational facilities

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NOAPARA, Dec. 11:—The Primary schools throughout the flood-affected upazilas of Keshbpur and Monirampur in Jessore district have been facing multifarious problems for a long time due to lack of accommodation, shortage of furniture, absence of libraries, drinking water and shortage of teachers.

There are 68 government schools in Keshbpur upazila and 118 in Monirampur upazila having a total of 52198 students and 200 non-government Primary schools in the upazilas.

Most of the non-govt. primary schools established at the local initiative before liberation which did not get government recognition as yet.

These institutions have at least 11,970 students. Being disappointed the teachers of those schools have been compelled to leave the institutions. On the other hand, due to shortage of furniture in most of the Govt. Primary schools the students are to sit on mats. Many schools have no roofs and fencing. The students are to sit under the open sky and those schools have become a shelter

for goats and cows. Due to lack of libraries headmaster of those schools are bound to take office files and attendance books to their houses.

Lack of latrines and shortage of drinking water in Primary schools in remote areas is another problem. Students some times drink polluted water from tanks and ponds.

The authority concerned is urged by the local people to take necessary measures extend adequate facilities for the sake of education in the district.

2 gaoled for illegal entry into Bangladesh

Mr. Afzal Hossain, the Sarsa upazila Magistrate in a judgement under Bangladesh Immigration Act No-14 delivered on November 30 found one Chuni (17), son of Hyat sk and Rubi (13), daughter of Mujahar Hossain (An Army officer, India) of village Dandanga under Murshidabad thana, West Bengal, India, guilty for illegal entrance into Bangladesh and sentenced them to suffer imprisonment for 15 days and to pay

a fine of Tk. 300 each in default to suffer imprisonment for 7 days more and also ordered to hand-over them to Indian police carefully.

The prosecution case in brief was that Rubi and her pramour Chuni fled away from home in mid-July 1989 and crossed border and took shelter to the house of one Habibur Rahman at village Sadipur under Sarsa upazila, Jessore from where Sarsa police led by D.I.O, Jessore on request of Indian Ambassador (Dhaka) arrested them on November 19 and filed a case with the Sarsa police.

Consequently police after investigation submitted chargesheet to Sarsa Court against them under Immigration Act.

The Upazila Magistrate examined the case and heard their opinion where Rubi created a heart searching sight and requested the Magistrate to please do not return them to India where they might be faced death and wanted to live in Bangladesh like beggar without separation.