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Higher education needs effective management: FM

Foreign Minister Abdus Samad Azad sought international solidarity for sharing experiences and pooling resources—economic, social and human—to face up to the challenges of the upcoming new millennium, says UNB.

He made the call at a regional workshop on Institutional Management in Higher Education, organised by Bangladesh National Commission for UNESCO and the International Institute for Educational Planning, concluded in Dhaka on Friday.

Azad said higher education today needed effective management and more cost-effectiveness, not only to encounter the complex challenges facing it in its content, method and structure but also to get the value for the money spent.

"We are entering the twenty-first century with a lot of challenges, education in particular will have to play an important role in confronting these challenges," the Foreign Minister said addressing the concluding session as chief guest.

Presided over by Education Secretary Kazi Rakib Uddin Ahmed, the function was also addressed by Prof Kafiluddin Ahmed, Dr Bikas C Sanyal, Dr GD Sharma and Prof MA Mannan.