

Bid to eradicate illiteracy from society

School to educate house maids at Thakurgaon

From Our Correspondent

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To educate the illiterate house maids and child labourers, six un-employed young men and women started school at Asrampara here.

Without the help of the govt or any other govt or non-govt organisation only on the basis of self confidence these young men and women organised a voluntary social organisation 'Jagriti Unnayan Sangstha' at Asrampara.

The Assistant Director of the organisation Nargis Chowdhury, a law student told this correspondent that she along with her friends Afroza Akhtar, Morsheda Khanam, Rina Begum and Ashok Das started the school of non-formal education with the aim of educating the illiterate backward section of the people.

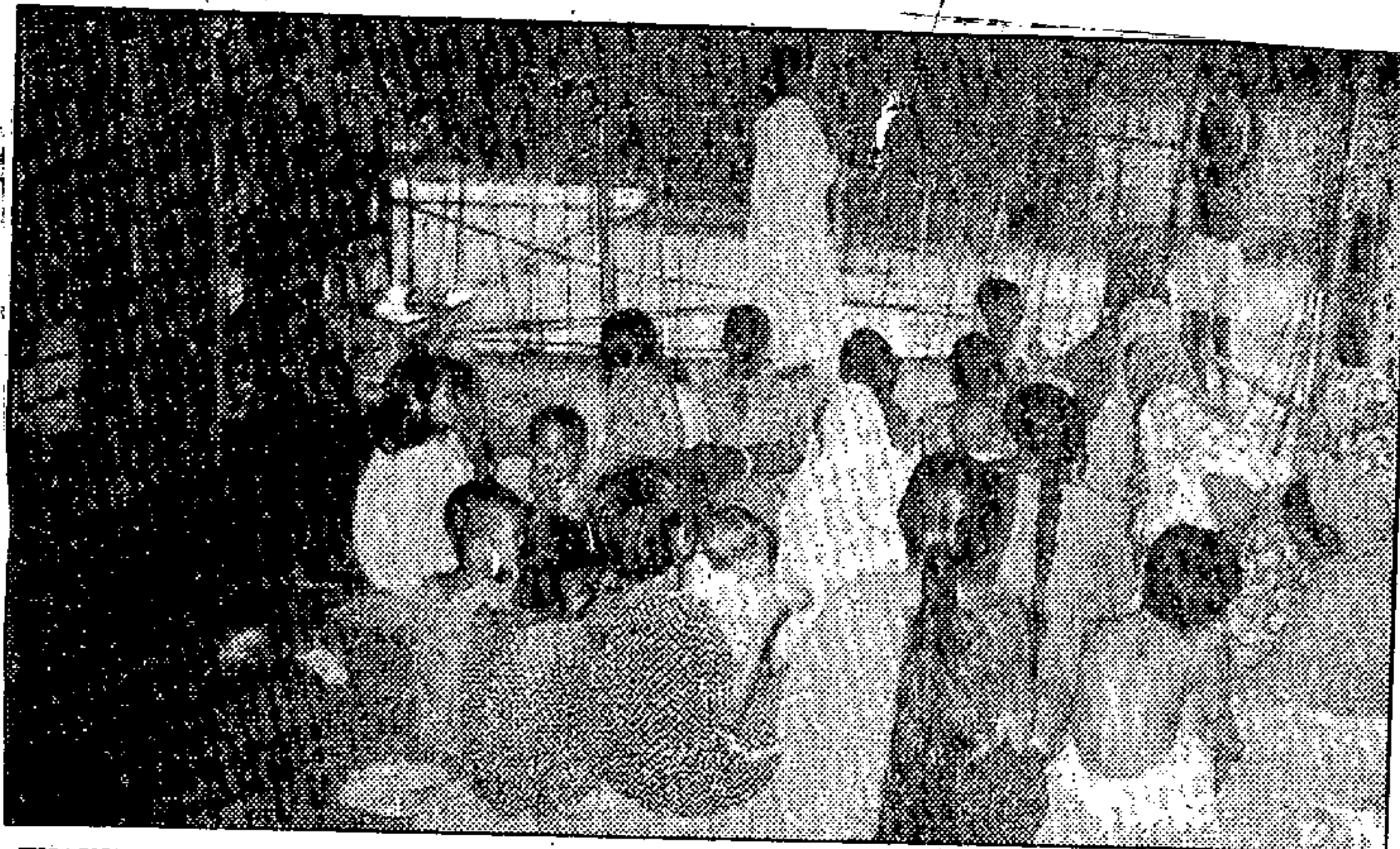
Initially they started the school with only 9 students at Asrampara with their own money they had taken from their guardians. Nargis Chowdhury

further said that they had to work hard to convince the masters and mistresses of the house maids and child labourers to send them to the school.

At present they become interested and are sending the house maids and child labourers to the school. At present 35 house maids and 100 child labourers are attending the school regularly. For better arrangement the school has been shifted to Collegepara of Thakurgaon town.

The individuals of the society and some organisations are helping the school. The coordinator of Non-Formal Education Directorate has given 60 books, RDRS, a local NGO has donated 200 khata, 200 pencils and 10 packets of chalk. Two municipal commissioners have given 35 slates and some sacs.

Nargis Chowdhury further said that besides education the learners are also getting training in handicrafts.



THAKURGAON : The schooling of house maids and child labourers being conducted by 'Jagriti Unnayan Sangstha' at Thakurgaon.

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