

Public library beset with problems

From Our Correspondent

SATKHIRA, May 20:—The public library in Satkhira is beset with manifold problems hampering its normal functioning. It is learnt that the public library was set up during Pakistan time to develop and nourish the reading habits and cultural values of the people. But the district public library has been running with a poor collection of books and journals for the last few years.

Many readers and government officers who take valuable books do not return them in time and keep the same for months together. The library has no national or international journals, magazines and periodicals. In the past the public library had the reputation of performing various activities particularly observance of Shahid Day, Victory Day, Independence Day etc.

But for the last few years the library management did nothing to revive the traditional and cultural practice.

The library has neither a qualified librarian nor a catalogue keeper. Local people urged the authority concerned to make the library attractive and more useful to increase the number of readers.

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