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Books inimical to culture may not be imported

DHAKA, BSS: Minister for Education and Cultural Affairs Prof. A.Q.M. Badruddoza Chowdhury on Friday said the government would consider to take measures to stop import of different books including books of primary education which creates obstacles to flourishing of our literature and culture.

He said our language, literature and culture are our pride and those who nourishes our literature and culture are our good friends.

Prof. Chowdhury said the spirits of the Liberation War and Language Movement have created a new chapter in our cultural heritage and enriched our literature.

He said "as a nation we may feel proud for our literature and culture". He also called upon the litterateurs and intellectuals to uphold the image of the country abroad through better projection of our literature and culture.

The Minister was addressing as the chief guest at a Book Exhibition in observance of Bangla New Year, held at the Central Public Library auditorium here Friday afternoon.

Sponsored by Muktiadhara the function was presided over by Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University Prof. M. Maniruzzaman

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The Education and Cultural Affairs Minister said at present there are 249 public libraries at upazila level and a sum of Tkaka 55 lakh was spent for each of them every year. He said the BNP government will take steps towards lowering postal cost of sending books within country and abroad and holding of more exhibition of books at home and abroad.

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