

## DB, RB SSC exams begin today

DHAKA, BSS : The Secondary School Certificate (SSC) examinations of 1991 under Dhaka and Rajshahi Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Boards commence today (Thursday).

The SSC examinations under Comilla and Jessore boards, scheduled to begin today, have been postponed in the meantime due to cyclonic and tidal surge that lashed the coastal belt of the country on Monday night.

An Education Ministry official told BSS that all preparations had been set for holding the examinations in a peaceful manner.

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia, in a message of felicitations to the candidates, advised them to refrain from all sorts of

malpractices in the examinations to establish an ideal which would be an example to the posterity.

A total of 2,62,669 candidates will appear in the examinations from 269 centres of Dhaka and Rajshahi boards, official sources said.

A total of 1,49,553 students will appear from 138 centres of Dhaka Board including seven centres abroad under it while 1,13,116 candidates will appear from 131 centres of Rajshahi Board. Of the total, 2,48,886 will appear as regulars and 13,783 as private candidates.

A total of 1,30,013 students of the regular candidates will sit for examinations from the Social Science group while the rest 1,18,873 from the General Science group.

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group. Among the candidates, 1,77,379 are male and 85,290 are female.

A total of 28,889 students are appearing from different centres of Dhaka city. Of them 15,536 are male and 13,353 are female.

Message from Rajshahi says: A coordination meeting for ensuring smooth conducting of the S.S.C. examination under Rajshahi Education Board was held on Wednesday at the Rajshahi Board auditorium.

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