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Jatiya Sangskritik Commission formed

A 15-member high-powered commission was set up on Monday by the government to formulate appropriate guidelines, policies and plans to give a total identity to country's culture, its demands and development and to ensure uplift of the overall national culture, reports BSS.

According to an official announcement, the commission called "Bangladesh Jatiya Sangskritik Commission" would be composed of eminent educationists, artists, litterateurs and cultural experts, it would be headed by Prof Syed Ali Ahsan as Chairman.

Other members of the commission are: Principal Dewan

Mohammad Azraf, M.K. Alam Chowdhury, MP, Laila Arjumand Banu, Dr Ashraf Siddiqui, Dr Abdullah Al-Muti Sharfuddin, Sayeed Ahmed, Dr Mohammad Muniruzzaman, Dr Abu Hena Mustafa Kamal, Dr Enamul Haq, Mustafa Manwar, Dr Mahmud Shah Qureshi, Abdur Razzak, Professor, Institute of Arts and Crafts, Dhaka University, and Prof Dr Alauddin Al Azad, who would act as Member-Secretary of the Commission.

The cultural commission would formulate policies on the national identity of Bangladesh, flourishing of culture of this region in the context of religious faiths and aspirations of the people, suggest policy guidelines for cultural media, bring into focus the life of the people and identify appropriate policies and specialities for songs, dances and fine arts. It would also chalk out policies on architectural style for the country depending on its history, climate and cultural specialities.

The commission will prepare and circulate a questionnaire to the cultural-minded people to elicit public opinion and take opinion from different shades of people including politicians, educationists, professionals, administrators, etc.

It will submit its recommendations and outlines of the programme along with the final report by December 31 this year.