

103-year-old Boda Pilot school building may collapse

From Our Correspondent

PANCHAGARH, July 8.—The 103-year old Boda Pilot High School has not yet been nationalised hindering the promotion of secondary education in Boda upazila, the biggest upazila of Panchagarh district.

The school was established in 1888 as middle school and later on upgraded into a high school. Though possesses all the requisites for nationalisation it was only upgraded into pilot status during the last 102 years.

The roll strength of the school is 600 but the number of seats cannot meet the need for want of necessary number of benches.

Despite fund constraints and other problems the results of the school has been upto the mark since its inception.

Due to inadequate number of books in the library the students can hardly proceed with their studies.

The Science building of Boda Pilot High school has been so worn out that it may collapse any moment. In the absence of renovation and repair of the building, the science equipment are being damaged. The higher authorities were informed about the dilapidated condition of the building but to no effect. About Taka 10 lakh are required to repair the building.

The students of the school are

deprived of recreational facilities.

Shortage of teachers is hampering the purposes of education of the school. There are 15 teaching staff including the Headmaster for running the classes. Besides there are six other non-teaching staff in the schools in Bode Upazila and none of them has been nationalised.

The people of the area including guardians have urged the government to nationalise this century old school so that the students can prosecute their studies properly.

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