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4 colleges will be upgraded

By A Staff Reporter

The Government has decided to upgrade four premier colleges of the country to university colleges from June next, official sources said.

The colleges are: Rangpur Carmichael College, Sylhet Murari Chand College, Daulatpur B. L. College and Barisal B. M. College.

These colleges will have academic councils and other bodies appropriate to such institutions.

Decisions on faculties to be created at these colleges have not yet been taken. But a top Education Ministry source said necessary care would be taken to ensure that only those faculties were opened at these colleges which fit into the needs of the country.

The sources said that the emphasis would be on job oriented faculties. Though decisions are yet to be taken, it is understood that the number of seats at these colleges

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would range between 1500 and 2000 depending on availability of facilities.

The Government has also decided to take up from next year five Madrassahs to impart polytechnic type vocation training. This decision has been taken to equip the Madrassah students better for practical life.

The Madrassahs at which vocational training would be started has not yet been selected but it is stated that the premier institutions would be taken up first.

Simple vocational training facilities had already been provided in about five per cent of the madrassahs of the country, the sources said.