Admission rate in Rajshahi pry schools increases by 20 pc

BOGRA, June 18: The rate of admission to primary schools has been increased by 20 per cent in the Rajshahi Division during the last four years following implementation of the government's programme of "Education For All by 2000." The average rate of increase is 2 per cent more than the national target, says Media Syndicate.

According to a statistics of Primary Education Office of Rajshahi Division, the number of children accessibility to schools, from 6 to 10 years of age, was 41 lakh 49 thousand 727 in 1992. Of the total, the number of boys was 22 lakh 31 thousand 675 while the number of girls was 19 lakh 18 thousand 62. Of them as many as 30 lakh 29 thousand 300 were admitted into the schools and the average rate of admission was 73 per cent. The number of children remained regularly present during the period was 21 lakh 81 thousand 96.

A survey conducted in August 1993, 35 lakh 15 thousand -162 children admitted into schools out of 42 lakh 19 thousand 883 boys and girls accessibile to schools. The average rate of admission was 83.3 per cent. About 25 lakh 35 thousand 135 children were regularly present in their class attendance.

In 1994 the total number of children accessibility to schools was 37 lakh 67 thousand 996. Of them, 32 lakh 36 thousand 708 were admitted into schools and the average rate of admission was 85.9 per cent. About 24 lakh 34 thousand and four remained regularly present in the schools.

In 1995, 36 lakh 6 thousand 434 boys and girls were admitted into primary schools in Rajshahi Division against the total number of 41 lakh 45 thousand 327 children accessibility to schools. The average rate of admission was 87 per cent. Of them, 26 lakh 32 thousand 697 attended the schools regularly.

It may be mentioned that about 87 per cent of children were admitted into schools in Rajshahi Division during the current fiscal against the target of 85 per cent.