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## Number of students in pry schools diminishing

PATUAKHALI, Oct 12 : The number of primary school going children has been

decreasing in the remote and char areas of the greater Patuakhali district due to abject poverty and lack of awareness of their guardians, reports UNB.

According to a survey conducted by a social welfare organisation, a good number of children aged between eight and ten of Kalapark, Dasmina, Galachipa, Bauphal, Dumkil, Mirzaganj, Amtali, Patharghata, Bamna, Betagi, Patuakhali Sadar and Barguna Sadar thanas are engaged in different odd jobs instead of going to school.

Landless and poverty stricken farmer sof these areas prefer to send their children to work instead of school, the survey report said.