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Pry students get 1.54 cr books free of cost

A total of one crore 54 lakh books out of three crore were distributed free of costs for the students of Class I to V in all primary schools of the country during the 1985 academic years, reports BSS.

An official handout said in Dhaka on Tuesday that 17 lakh 30 thousand books out of total 28 lakh for Class V were marketed through agents at half price.

Books distributed to Class I is 82 per cent, Class II 82 per cent, Class III 22 per cent, Class IV 70 per cent and Class V 62 per cent. Eighty per cent of the remaining books will be distributed by March 31 while the rest 20 per cent will be available by April 10, the handout said.

Ninety per cent books for

Class VI and 91 per cent books for Class VII have already been marketed. The total requirement of books for Class VI is 14 lakh while for Class VII it is 12 lakh. Nine books for Class IX and all books for Class VIII except mathematics, were released in the market through Bangladesh Book Publishers and Sellers Association.

Bengali prose, mathematics, algebra, history, economics and modern science books for Class IX will be released on March 9 while home economics and general science for the Class IX will be marketed by the first week of April. Mathematics book for Class VIII will be available in the market in the last week of the current month, the handout said.