

## Recast education policy : BAU seminar urges

AGRI-VARSITY (Mymensingh) : A seminar on strategy for livestock development in Bangladesh was held at the teachers' reading room of university library on July 28 under the sponsorship of Bangladesh Agricultural University (BAU) Central Seminar Committee.

The keynote paper of the seminar was presented by Dr. Md. Hafezur Rahman, Associate Prof and head of the department of parasitology, BAU.

In his presentation, Dr Rahman, a noted livestock scientist of the country, discussed the

present status or and the constraints to livestock development. He stated that the achievement so far made in the sector was not satisfactory.

Ineffective control measures of livestock diseases, acute shortage of animal fodder, shortage of skilled personnel and absence of proper research-extension linkage, confused breeding policy, lack of a proper education policy, indifference to species-specific activities, and inappropriate identification of target groups for livestock development activities were the reasons for such deplorable situation, he said.

Dr. Rahman urged all concerned to come forward in solving the problems of livestock development and to formulate clear-cut objectives. He however, stressed the need for commercialisation of vaccine and sera production and also called for initiatives for setting up large numbers of commercial livestock farms to infuse dynamism in the overall spectrum of livestock development in the country.

over by Prof M. Monsurul Amin of the department of microbiology and hygiene and addressed among others by Prof. K S Islam, Prof A J Sarkar, Prof A N M Kader, Mr. Abidur Reza, Mr A B M Mafizul Islam, Dr A K Fazlul Huq Bhuiyan and M Z Karim.