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## Sircar lauds role of UNESCO Clubs

Education Minister Barrister Jamiruddin Sircar on Sunday lauded the role of UNESCO and UNESCO Clubs in eradicating illiteracy and promoting education, culture and heritage for world peace, reports BSS.

Barrister Sircar termed education as the pre-requisite of world peace and laid stress on developing and promoting national culture and heritage by eradicating illiteracy from the society.

The Minister was addressing the UNESCO Club Award '93 distribution ceremony among eight children artistes of Radio and Television at United Nations Informational Centre (UNIC) in Dhaka.

Bangladesh National Association of UNESCO Club arranged the function which was chaired by its President Journalist Gias Kamal Chowdhury.

Informational Secretary Nuruddin Al Masud, former Minister and noted social worker Azizul Haq, Secretary of Bangladesh National Commission for UNESCO SM Saffuddin and Secretary General of the club Mahbubuddin Chowdhury also spoke on the occasion.

Mr Sircar who is also the Chairman of Bangladesh National Commission for UNESCO, appreciated the efforts of UNESCO Club Association of Bangladesh under its President Gias Kamal Chowd-

hury and called upon the club to extend its activities in all the 64 districts particularly to promote non-formal education in the country.

Information Secretary Nuruddin Al Masud said UNESCO is associated with various projects relating to education technology, art and culture. He hoped that Bangladesh National UNESCO Club Association would play a vital role in implementing the UNESCO objectives. In this connection he mentioned that UNESCO Clubs are recognised by UNESCO constitution.

Later, Barrister Jamiruddin Sircar distributed awards among the children artistes. He also enjoyed a cultural function presented by the children artistes.

Those who received the award are Tanima Afrin Kumkum, Sarah Jabin Shaily, Jesmin Rahman Jui, Muhwar Alamgir, Khan Matri Ismail Ahmed Rasel Tanzia Base, Ali Puspita Mauri and Mahnur Alam Nancy.