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5,799 primary teachers to be recruited soon

TIMES REPORT

The government would soon take steps for filling up 5,799 posts of government primary school teachers which are lying vacant for some time, Education Minister Sheikh Shahidul Islam told the Jatiya Sangsad (Parliament) recently. The minister indicated that test examinations would be organised centrally for the recruitment of teachers.

Elaborating, Sheikh Shahid said that candidates would submit application for employment to the upazila education committees, and the district education committees would scrutinise the applications. Then examinations would be organised under the four education boards of the country for the preparation of upazila-wise panel of teachers. The upazila administrations would then appoint teachers from such panels, the minister said.

The emphasis on centrally organised test examinations, it

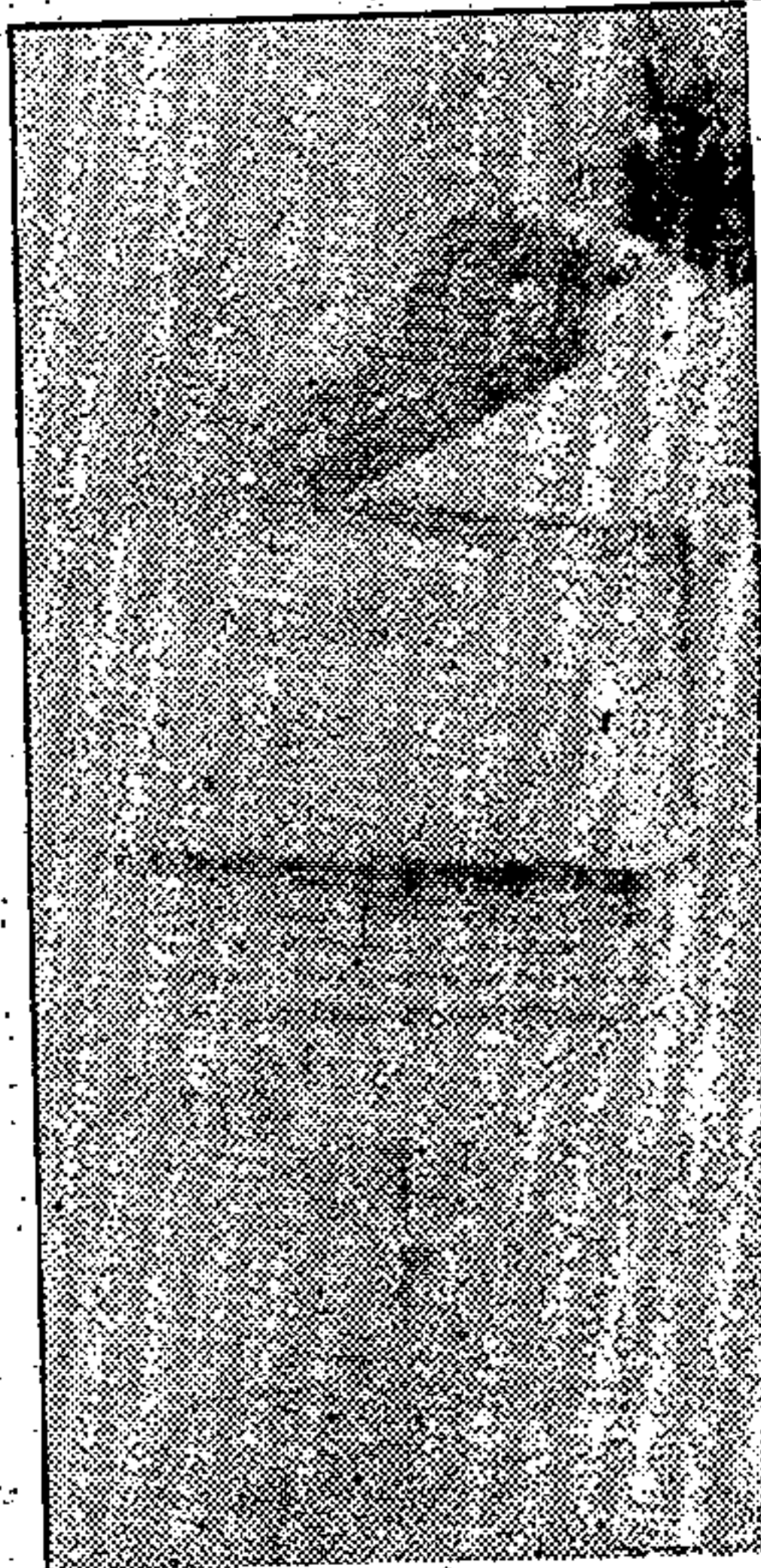
appears, is to ensure recruitment of qualified teachers minimising the scope for nepotism or favouritism. This is going to replace the practice of making selections right at the upazila level. Before the introduction of upazila level selections recruitment of primary teachers were done through the erstwhile subdivision level education authorities.

According to information given by the Education minister the district of Chittagong has a maximum number (312) of vacant posts of government primary school teachers. It is followed by 232 vacant posts in the district of Tangail, 177 posts in the district of Gaibandha, 164 in Rajshahi, 161 in Habiganj, 159 in Sylhet, 155 in Dhaka, 152 each in Shariatpur and Sunamganj, 151 in Bogra, 144 in Jessore and 141 in Kishoreganj.

The vacant posts in other districts are as follows: Munshiganj 37, Manikganj 63, Gazipur 51, Narsingdi 60, Narayanganj 63, Rajbari 55, Faridpur 36, Madaripur 32, Jamalpur 82, Sherpur 57, Gopalganj 58, Netrakona 37.

Cox's bazar 41, Comilla 117, Khagrachhari 30, Chandpur 139, Noakhali 116, Feni 55, Bandarban 51, Brahmanbaria 61, Moulvibazar 89, Rangamati 92, Lakshmipur 88.

Khulna 86, Jhalakathi 17, Barisal 102, Bagerhat 83, Jhenidah 39, Satkhira 61, Bhola 101, Kushtia 76, Patuakhali 71, Magura 24, Narail 24, Meherpur 31, Barguna 26, Pirojpur 59, Chuadanga 54.



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Nawabganj 57, Nator 57, Naogaon 120, Rangpur 128, Nilphamari 94, Kurigram 125, Lalmonirhat 65, Dinajpur 116, Panchagarh 106, Sirajganj 129, Pabna 123, Thakurgaon 64, and Joypurhat 35.

NO MORE

NATIONALISATION

The Education Minister also said that the government has no plan for nationalisation of the non-government secondary schools and colleges. At present

through public places, the sources said. The government has appointed three returning officers and 25 assistant returning officers to conduct elections to the

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television news, ABC correspondent Mark Like said Tuesday.

Like said two uniformed police and three plainclothesmen burst in on the crew without warning Monday night.

The Tiananmen massacre has caused an unprecedented split between Beijing and locally-based Chinese communists who may begin seeking asylum in the British colony for fear of reprisals, analysts said today.

"For the first time since 1949, China has lost the pillar of support in Hong Kong that had been its front line for propaganda overseas", said Wan Fai, editor of local China-watching monthly Cheng Ming.

Photos of dissident Fang Lizhi and his wife Li Shuxian, both held up in the US embassy here, have been circulated to all seaports, airports and railway stations.

Accompanying the photos is a description and an order: "arrest these two criminals on sight".

Adequate steps

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