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## Narsingdi primary teachers face difficulty in getting salary

From Our Correspondent

NARSINGDI, Aug. 16: About 300 primary school teachers of Narsingdi thana are passing their days with uncertain fate regarding their arrear bill owing to the malpractices of the local Thana Education Office, it is alleged by the teachers.

The teachers informed the local journalists that as many as 300 primary school teachers of the thana would have to undergo extreme sufferings if their arrear bills were not paid before the ensuing Eid-ul-Fitr. But the Thana Education Officer was intentionally delaying the preparation of arrear bills of the teachers inspite of repeated appeals. The local Primary Teachers' Association agreed to pay an amount of salami to him and the ASI but as the amount was not up to their satisfaction, they were still delaying the matter.

It is further alleged that the TEO and the ASI of Schools, Narsingdi always create harassment and troubles to the teachers with a motive of having gratification from them some how or other. Another charge of defalcating an amount of about Tk. 60 thousand during his service at Kapasia was also leveled against this TEO by the teachers of Kapasia thana with the Deputy Commissioner, Dacca. He also forged the signature of a teacher to defalcate the amount of a bill. A Magistrate 1st class from Dacca investigated the case and found the allegations brought against the TEO a fact.

Now the alleged TEO has been transferred to Narsingdi and he is still continuing the

similar type of mal-practices here also.

The primary school teachers of Narsingdi thana also informed the Education Minister of the mal-practices and mal-administration of the TEO concerned during his recent visit to Narsingdi and the Minister at once asked the local SDO to take immediate and appropriate measure against the TEO. Accordingly, the SDO communicated the matter to the SDEO, Narayanganj and the D.I. of Schools, Dacca for necessary action.

Now it is the demand of the primary school teachers and the local people as well that the TEO and the ASI of Schools be removed from Narsingdi with a view to creating a healthy atmosphere in the field of education.

The primary school teachers of Narsingdi thana also urged upon the authorities concerned to take immediate action so that the Narsingdi Thana Education Office prepares their bills for payment before the ensuing Eid festival.