

Adequate stock of pry books

Government has adequate stock of text books available for the students of class I II and III, an official source said in Dhaka on Sunday reports BSS.

The concerned students and their guardian have not to worry in this regard, the source said.

To meet the additional demands, ten lakh more copies of the text books for each subject are now being printed. They will be available to the students by mid-March at the latest the source said.

The main cause for the alleged shortage the source said was an unexpected increase in the enrolment of the students at the beginner's level in the primary schools this year.

School-age children both below and above the prescribed age of six years, got themselves admitted into the primary schools this year the source said adding this was due to the wider publicity of the new education policy of the government and its main thrust to widen the literacy base.

Of the total children, between 6 and 7 years of age more than 80 per cent were enrolled in all the primary level educational institutions all over the country the source said indicating a positive awareness of the masses towards increasing the rate of literacy.

The distribution of books was also hindered because of transport and carrying problems. Entire educational administration from the centre to the thana level even the primary school teachers were involved in the distribution mechanism, the source added. Clarifying the actual position

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of the text books, the source said the main problem was for class I for which 20 lakh copies of books for each subject were printed and duly sent for distribution among the students.

The additional demands created due to the sudden rise in the primary enrolment would be met by the distribution of more ten lakh books that were now being printed. The source assured that these books would be available to the students by next month.

Books might be supplied for sale in the open market to minimise the inconveniences of the concerned students and guardians the source said.