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## Modernise madrasah edn for national uplift : Sircar

Education Minister Barrister Jamiruddin Sircar Wednesday laid emphasis on development and modernisation of madrasah education for achieving the goal of national development, reports BSS.

He said, Islamic education may help forging greater national unity and spread of concept of democracy.

The Minister was speaking as chief guest at the foundation-laying ceremony of a new residential building of Bangladesh Madrasah Education Board in Dhaka.

Presided over by the Chairman of the Board Prof M.A. Mannan, the function was addressed by president and general secretary of the employee's union of the board Giasuddin Ahmed and Abdullahel Baki respectively.

The Minister said the government has given due importance to modernise the madrasah education for making it realistic and life and pro-

session-oriented.

He said, the government wants to impart madrasah education up to Fazil level to every village. The contributions of Islamic educated people to social and national life cannot be evaluated in terms of money but in terms of religious and moral values, he said.

Later, the Minister formally unveiled the foundation stone of the building to be constructed at a cost of Taka 26 lakh.