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Standard of edn deteriorating in Gazipur schools

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GAZIPUR, May 27. Most of the 179 secondary and lower secondary schools in six thanas of the district are plagued with multifarious problems including teacher's shortage, insufficiency of accommodation want of furniture and other teaching accessories and educational appliances. Standard of secondary education in the district is deteriorating for these causes.

The paucity of subject-wise teachers specially English, Hindu Religion and Agricultural science which have been made compulsory is hampering the secondary education to a great extent. In 197 secondary level schools there is not a single one in which the students of the Hindu community are provided with religious instruction; although the subject is made compulsory.

It is to be mentioned here that five govt secondary schools also suffer from the same shortcomings as non-govt ones.

Scarcity of English teachers has began to prevail for making English an optional subject in the degree examination of the different universities of the country during the autocratic regime with a view to earning cheap popularity showing false love for mother-tongue and sabotaging the entire system of education whose negative impact has become prominent in the recent days.

Most of the schools are thus running somehow without any properly qualified teacher in this discipline depriving the pupils from proper education. Furniture and accommodation crisis of the schools often harts eyes. In many schools teachers are forced to teach their pupils in the class without fences. And students have to sit on kutecha floor spreading out sack-cloth and thin bamboo-mat. The accommodation problem is acute in the schools founded in the recent days by the local initiative and got only academic recognition of the government without any financial help.

Absence of sanitation is yet another problems of these establishment that has added another impediment that harts eyes when pupils are seen to go to nearby bushes or side of the canals or rivers in response to the call of nature.