

1/5pc of GDP for education, if BNP is voted to power

Says Khaleda

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BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia yesterday said if her party is voted to power, it will spend five percent of the GDP in the education sector.

The current allocation is around two percent, according to education ministry sources. "We have already talked in details about our plan for the education sector in Vision 2030. It would not be possible to implement all of those during the first five years in the office. Education policy will be life-oriented, and not degree-oriented," she said while addressing a seminar titled "Present Education System of Bangladesh and Our Future" at Ladies Club in the capital.

She said all the social, cultural, gender and economic barriers will be removed to ensure education.

"Though they (the government) are claiming that the country has progressed in education sector, it has destroyed democracy...and repressed the views of the oppositions," she said. The BNP chairperson alleged that there is no good governance or the rule of law in the country.



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Khaleda alleged that the quality of education has been falling gradually. She also alleged that the government is increasing pass rate for self-satisfaction.

"If we fail to overcome the situation, our progress will be hampered and we will lag behind...," she added.

The former premier said various educational systems are prevailing in the country and every system is different from the other.

"To move forward, a connection is required among all the educational systems." Khaleda said her party will take all administrative and institutional measures to create skilled human

resources by arranging demand-based vocational and technical training programmes and necessary training in foreign languages for the unskilled workers.

She said to achieve the goal of developing human resources, a change has to be brought in the mindset of people.

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