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Compulsory primary education by 1990

TETULIA (Panchagarh), Sept. 23.—Education Minister Mahbubur Rahman has said that all-out efforts would be taken to make primary education universal, nationalised and compulsory by the year 1990, according to an official handout yesterday, reports BSS.

Addressing a large gathering at Bhajanpur he said efforts were under way to raise the rate of literacy in the country to 60 per cent by the year 2000.

The Minister said the policy of the government was to expand education and enhance its standard. But the implementation of such a policy depended on the teachers, students and other concerned.

He said peace and tranquillity were the pre-condition for social progress.

The Minister cautioned the people against the forces who, he said, were out to create chaos and confusion in the country to hinder the national progress.

Mr. Mahbub underscored the need for cooperation and unity of the people to carry forward the pace of development in the country.