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Coaching centres still operates

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A tutor takes class in a coaching centre at Arambagh in Dhaka on Sunday in violation of a ban on running such centres ahead of JSC and JDC examinations. — Abdullah Apu

Many coaching centres in the capital is continuing their operation in violation of a government order to keep them closed from October 25 till end of the upcoming Junior School Certificate and equivalent examinations, apparently to prevent question paper leaks during the tests.

Students were seen to attend coaching centres in different areas under Old Dhaka and Arambagh in the capital on Sunday.

Owners of some coaching centres claimed that they kept open the centres as the guardians requested them to do so.

Allegations also surfaced against school teachers that they were coaching students outside the classrooms.

This year's Junior School Certificate and Junior Dakhil Certificate examinations would begin on November 2 and continue till November 13.

Meanwhile, the Primary Education Completion and Ebtedayee examinations would begin on November 17.

On October 13 education minister Dipu Moni said that all coaching centres would remain closed between October 25 and November 18 to ward off question paper leaks.

She was attending a meeting of a committee on the national monitoring and law and order situation with respect to holding JSC and JDC examinations.

Different coaching centres were found opened also on Sunday under Bangshal thana, where students were present at the classes.

A senior leader of Shadow Education of Bangladesh, a platform of Dhaka-based coaching centres, told New Age that under their association different centres like MABS, SDM, Basic, Gnankosh, Pioneer, Paragon, Standard Private, Sristi, APS, Success, E-Huq, Pratik, Gnaner Alo, KTC and Nabarun remained open.

‘The guardians have compelled us to do this while we also do it due to financial reason,’ he said.

Different other coaching centres like Study Line, Medha Bilash, PSM, RS and MAC are also located in the area, he said.

He added that they would close the centres by October 30.

Without nameplates, different coaching centres in the capital’s Arambagh area were also seen to remain open on the day.

These coaching centres were running without nameplates for avoiding any problems, alleged locals.

Many teachers of these areas kept coaching students at their own rented places defying the ban, said guardians and coaching centre owners.

Secondary and higher education senior secretary Md Sohorab Hossain told New Age on Sunday that if any coaching centres remained open till now then action would be taken against them.



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