

# No untrained teachers will be allowed in classrooms: Bobby Hajjaj

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State Minister for Primary and Mass Education Bobby Hajjaj today said no teacher will be allowed in classrooms without receiving the necessary training, as part of efforts to improve the quality of primary education.

The minister made the remarks at a citizens' dialogue titled “Government Priorities and the Education Sector: Budget and Reality” in Dhaka, organised by Citizens' Platform for SDG Implementation, Bangladesh.



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Emphasising the importance of teachers' training, Bobby Hajjaj said, “You are saying that untrained teachers should not be allowed in classrooms, we have already taken that step.”

“Because of this decision, around 14,500 teachers marched in protest against me. But we remain firm in our position. They will complete their training and return to classrooms within the next four to six months,” he said.

The state minister also noted that 30 to 40 percent of government primary school buildings across the country require urgent repairs. In some cases, he said, the structures are so dilapidated that reconstruction is the only option.

“School infrastructure does not mean buildings alone; we want to integrate the teaching process with building design,” he added.