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## Several examiners unwilling to take SSC answer scripts

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A number of examiners in the Dhaka division, appointed to assess answer scripts of the ongoing Secondary School Certificate examinations, have not collected the scripts due to low and delayed payment and communication gaps.

The Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education, Dhaka on Monday, in an urgent notice, published a list of 235 teachers who failed to collect the answer scripts of the Bangla first paper subject by the same day.



On Tuesday, in another urgent notice, the board warned the defaulters that necessary administrative action would be taken against them.

The situation would cause delays and complications in the answer paper evaluation process and might adversely affect the publication of the examination results, it added.

This year the SSC examinations began on April 21. The theoretical part of the examinations will be completed by May 20 and the practical part by June 14.

Monday's notice said that 235 examiners were absent although the board had sent short message service (SMS) to the examiners concerned on April 30 to collect the answer scripts for the Bangla first paper on the same day.

As a result, complications have arisen in the evaluation of the answer papers, it said.

The notice, addressed to the principals and head teachers of educational institutions under the jurisdiction of the board, requested the 235 examiners to appear at the board by 11:00am on Tuesday and collect the answer scripts.

Some teachers on the list from Tangail and Kishoreganj districts said that they did not receive the SMS on time, while the payment for evaluating papers was very low and the boards usually issued the bills very late.

Alliance of the Associations of Teachers and Employees under MPO member secretary Delwar Hossain Azizi said that the payment for evaluating answer scripts was very low.

‘Education boards also delay the payment even by one year,’ he said, adding that if the boards paid a satisfactory amount in time for the job, teachers would be encouraged to perform the task.

Professor SM Kamal Uddin Hyder, controller of examinations of the Dhaka board, said that many teachers wanted to avoid this duty, especially those in Dhaka.

He, however, said that of the 235 teachers listed, 60 did not collect papers as of Wednesday. Of them, 20 to 30 were sick, while the rest would be served show-cause notices, he said.

Kamal Uddin mentioned that past year they increased the allowance for checking each answer paper from Tk 35 to Tk 45, and that from 2025 the board also improved bill payment time.

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