

Teachers to better standard of edn.

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Deputy Prime Minister Jamal-uddin Ahmed on Saturday called upon the teachers to face the great challenge of improving the standard of education at all level.

The Government has taken up a number of programmes involving huge expenditures from the exchequer for mass literacy primary, secondary college and university education with a view to improving and expanding the country's education system, the Deputy Prime Minister added.

Inaugurating a three-day annual conference of the Bangladesh Government College Teachers Association at the Dacca College auditorium, Mr. Jamal-uddin Ahmed said the education system should be people oriented to meet the demands of the time. The educated class of the country should come forward along with the teachers to shoulder the responsibility in improving and expanding the education of the country, he stressed. Without proper education of the people, no development schemes can be properly implemented, he said.

Presided over by Mrs. Jahan Ara Begum, President of the Bangladesh Government College Teachers' Association, it was also addressed by Mr. Abdul Baten, State Minister for Education, Dr. Hafez Ahmed, Director of Public Instruction

(DPI), Mr. A. K. M. Ali Reza, General Secretary of the Association and Mr. Fakir Abdur Razzak, Joint Secretary of the Association.

Mr. Jamaluddin Ahmed, said that the Government had launched a number of development programme including canal digging, mass literacy, family planning etc., implementation of which depend largely on proper education.

He said that a large number of students were coming from the universities every year but many of them failed to prove their worth in the professional fields. It is not the responsibility of the teachers alone to restore a healthy academic atmosphere, it is a collective responsibility of the educated masses in general, Mr. Jamal-uddin Ahmed said.

Praising the role of the teachers in nation-building activities said that the Government would do its best to solve the teachers' problems. Thanking the teachers for their voluntary participation in mass literacy programmes, he praised them for their trust in the Government in solving their problems.