

## Non-govt school teachers salary, benefit enhanced

The Government has enhanced its grants on account of salary and benefits to non-government school teachers and employees by 60 per cent an official Press release said on Saturday, reports BSS.

The Press release said henceforth Headmaster of a non-government school will receive a total grant of Tk. 1780 per month as salary and benefit from the Government as against Tk. 1100 given earlier. Accordingly an Assistant Teacher who till now used to get a Tk. 700 as grant will get Tk. 1100. The grants for revised pay scale of non-government school teachers and employees which comes into effect from the current month will involve an additional amount of Tk. 100 crore per annum the Press release said.

The Government has enhanced the grants despite financial constraint with the hope that the teachers will call off their strike in view of the coming SSC examination and the greater national interest the Press release said.

Under the new measure, the Government grant awarded to the 3rd and 4th class employees of non-government schools have been doubled. The Press release said from now on a 3rd class employee will get Taka 288 per month against Taka 144 received earlier, while a 4th class employee will get a grant of Taka 240 against Taka 120 given earlier.

As per instruction, all teachers will get 60 per cent of their basic salary as Government grant in their respective revised pay scale from March 1, 1986. A Headmaster will now get a grant of Taka 1440 as salary as against Taka 875 received earlier. Similarly grants for the assistant teachers for salary account has been raised to Taka

810 from Taka 500.

The increment for the Headmaster has been raised from the old scale of Taka 65 to Taka 120, while that for the assistant teachers it has been enhanced to Taka 90 from Taka 45. The medical benefit for the teachers and employees of the non-Government schools have been raised to Taka 10 per month from Taka 60.

The house rent allowance of Taka 100 per month given to teachers and employees will continue, the Press release said.

It said the Government was active from the beginning to solve the problems of non-government teachers for the overall improvement of the education system. When dearness allowance was introduced in 1983-84 in the Government sector, the non-Government teachers were given dearness allowance at the same rate along with Taka 100 as house rent.

The new grant for the non-Government teachers was in fulfilment of the President's commitment and in accordance with the revised pay scale announced last year. Earlier the non-Government teachers used to get 50 per cent salary as grant on the basis of the pay scale of Government teachers.

## All set to hold SSC exams

All preparations have been completed for holding the secondary school certificate examinations under four education boards of the country from March 6 an official handout said in Dhaka on Saturday night reports BSS.

The Government has taken necessary steps for conducting the SSC examinations peacefully and smoothly so that strike by the non-government school teachers does not hamper the examination.

The handout said that the Deputy Commissioners would take up the overall responsibility of holding the SSC examinations in their respective districts. If necessary the Deputy Commissioner would appoint secretary for each examination centre and invigilator for examination hall and reorganise the centre committee. Any government officials of the Primary Education Directorate teachers of government and non-government colleges teachers of government schools experienced teachers of primary school PTI staff or any other persons suitable for that job can be appointed the handout said.

The district administrators would make sure that the centre secretaries discharge their responsibilities properly. The district administration would ensure necessary security measures so that the centre authority could take delivery of the examination materials and question papers properly. Similarly

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## Govt urged

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of the non-government school teachers and employees before March 6

## Held teachers' release urged

A meeting of Dhaka Metropolitan unit of 15-Party alliance was held at the office of Bangladesh Awami League on Saturday. Mr Akhtarul Alam presided. The meeting discussed about the implementation of the programmes adopted in the rally of February 24 last.

The meeting demanded release of the arrested teachers immediately and fulfilment of their just demands. The meeting said that any attempt to foil the election under a neutral government will be resisted through mass movement.

The President and General Secretary of JSD (Rob) Mohammad Shahjahan and A S M Rob, Bangladesh Biplobi Chhatra Union Dhaka Anjibi Samity Chhatra Sangram Parishad and Workers Party of Bangladesh have lent their supports to the strike of non-government teachers and employees.

## SSC exams

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the Deputy Commissioner must take adequate steps to send the scripts to the board of secondary examination with full security.

The district administration must take measures so that all candidates can collect their admit cards from their respective schools by March 3 and 4. If any students fail to take delivery of the admit cards from the schools arrangements would be made to give those from examination centres or sub-centres. Deputy commissioners will take necessary steps in this regard.

## Govt urged to fulfil teachers' demand by Mar 6

By A Staff Correspondent

The teachers of non-government secondary schools passed their 8th day of indefinite strike on Saturday in response to a call given by Bangladesh Shikshak Parishad.

A Press release of the Parishad said that processions were brought out and protest meetings were held all over the country for the release of the arrested teachers.

The Press release claimed that Mr. Harun-Ur-Rashid Khan and some other teachers were arrested from a procession near the Dhaka Education Board on Saturday.

The Press release demanded the release of the arrested teachers and fulfilment of the demands